

Downpatrick ASD Family Support Group

Northern Ireland · Charity number 108387

Details

Status Received

Registered 2021-12-09

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

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Activities

Purposes: Relieve poverty, stress and social exclusion of children with Autism Spectrum Disorder and their parents/carers to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Downpatrick (and further afield) (described as the area of benefit) by associating the statutory authorities, voluntary organisations and the inhabitants in a common effort to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure-time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.

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

How the charity works:

Advice/advocacy/information, Counselling/support, Disability, Education/training, Grant making, Human rights/equality, Medical/health/sickness, Volunteer development

Who the charity helps: Carers, Children (5-13 year olds), Learning disabilities, Mental health, Parents, Sensory disabilities, Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£53,608	£48,458	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Miss Maria Mcgeown		
Mr Timothy Brighton		
Mrs Andrea Craig		
Mrs Anna Alexander		
Mrs Melissa Keenan		

Accounts

DOWNPATRICK ASD FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

An unincorporated charity (Charity No. 108387)

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR
THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025**

Charity No. 108387

EAMONN P McGRADY & CO

Chartered Accountants &

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DOWNPATRICK AUTISM FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

Report of the Committee

Period: 1st April 2024-31st March 2025

Downpatrick Autism Family Support Group is a parent led support group set up in 2017 to help support families with a child on the Autism spectrum in the Downpatrick & surrounding areas. We offer support to families both before and after a diagnosis. We continuously liaise with our members to find what areas they would like help with. We then source funding and facilitators as required. In most instances these activities or services would not readily be available to families. We currently have 483 local families registered as members.

OFFICERS AND STAFF

Chairperson

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As of 31st March 2025 the charity had reserves of £83,436, of which £5,608 relates to restricted sources of income (grants) Also a further £25,000 is ringfenced for a capital project (fundraising)

DOWNPATRICK ASD FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

Report of the Committee and Approval Note.

DESIGNATED FUNDS

Of the unrestricted funds of £69,425 an amount of £25,000 has been ring-fenced in respect of a capital expenditure planned for the near future.

APPROVAL NOTE

I approve these accounts and confirm that I have made available all relevant records and information relating to the income and expenditure of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025.

Maria McGeown

MARIA McGEOWN

TREASURER

DOWNPATRICK ASD FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

25-11-2025

DATE

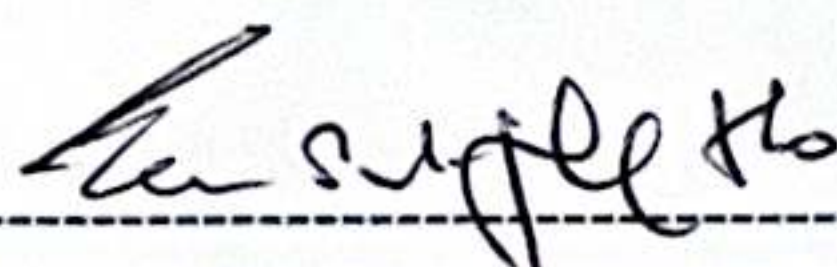
DOWNPATRICK ASD FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

ACCOUNTANTS REPORT

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Please note that Downpatrick ASD Family Support Group is an unincorporated charity, (Charity No 108387) and was registered as a charity on 9th December 2021.



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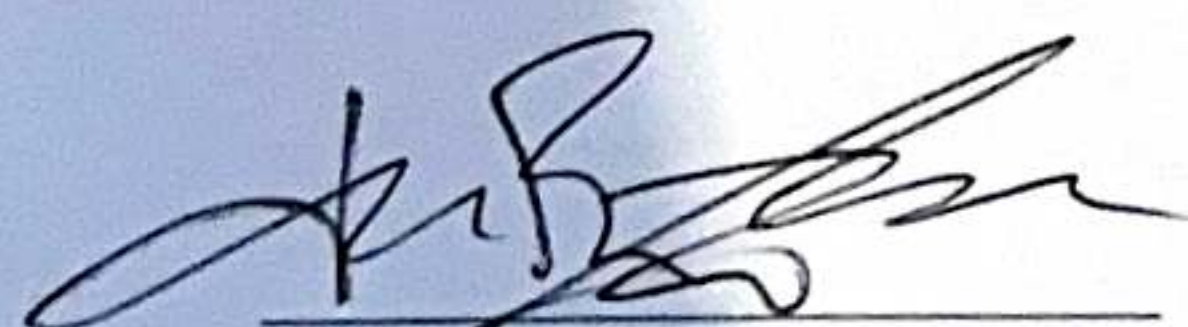
	2025		2025	2024
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
INCOME	16,576	37,032	53,608	68,570
Direct Cost of Activities	<u>17</u> 16,559	<u>18,755</u> 18,277	<u>18,772</u> 34,836	<u>45,291</u> 23,279
Administrative Expenses	<u>65</u>	<u>29,621</u>	<u>29,686</u>	<u>24,821</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	16,494	(11,344)	5,150	(1,542)
Interest Received & Similar Income	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) on Ordinary Activities for the year.	16,494	(11,344)	5,150	(1,542)
Balance Brought Forward	<u>61,331</u>	<u>16,952</u>	<u>78,283</u>	<u>79,825</u>
Balance Carried Forward	<u>77,825</u>	<u>5,608</u>	<u>83,433</u>	<u>78,283</u>
Of which:				
Designated Funds	<u>25,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
Other Funds	<u>52,825</u>	<u>5,608</u>	<u>58,433</u>	<u>53,283</u>

DOWNPATRICK ASD FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

**BALANCE SHEET
31ST MARCH 2025**

2024		2025
£		£
	FIXED ASSETS	-
	CURRENT ASSETS	
78,283	Bank Accounts	83,309
-	Other Debtor	127
<u>-</u>	CURRENT LIABILITIES	<u>-</u>
<u>78,283</u>	NET CURRENT ASSETS	<u>83,436</u>
78,283	TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	83,436
<u>-</u>	LONG TERM LIABILITIES	<u>-</u>
<u>78,283</u>	NET ASSETS	<u>83,436</u>
£	REPRESENTED BY:	£
79,825	Reserves Brought forward	78,283
<u>(1,542)</u>	Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u>5,153</u>
<u>78,283</u>	Reserves Carried Forward	<u>83,436</u>

Approved by the Trustees



**TIMOTHY BRIGHTON
CHAIRPERSON**

DOWNPATRICK ASD FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

25/11/25

DATE

Accounts

DOWNPATRICK ASD FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

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Report of the Committee

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As of 31st March 2024 the group had no outstanding debts and had reserves of £78,283 of which £16,952 relates to restricted sources of income (grants).

DOWNPATRICK ASD FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

Report of the Committee and Approval Note.

DESIGNATED FUNDS

Of the unrestricted funds of £61,331 an amount of £25,000 has been ring-fenced in respect of a capital build planned for the near future and was acquired through fundraising.

APPROVAL NOTE

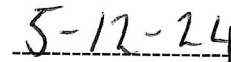
I approve these accounts and confirm that I have made available all relevant records and information relating to the income and expenditure of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2024.



MARIA McGEOWN

TREASURER

DOWNPATRICK ASD FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP



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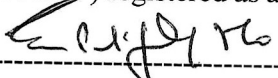
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YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

ACCOUNTANTS REPORT

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12/12/24

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DOWNPATRICK ASD FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024

	2024	2024	2024	2023
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
INCOME	29,843	38,727	68,570	101,719
Direct Cost of Activities	<u>4,282</u>	<u>41,009</u>	<u>45,291</u>	<u>47,307</u>
	25,561	(2,282)	23,279	54,412
Administrative Expenses	<u>11,027</u>	<u>13,794</u>	<u>24,821</u>	<u>21,701</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	14,534	(16,076)	(1,542)	32,711
Interest Received & Similar Income	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) on Ordinary Activities for the year.	14,534	(16,076)	(1,542)	32,711
Balance Brought Forward	<u>46,797</u>	<u>33,028</u>	<u>79,825</u>	<u>47,114</u>
Balance Carried Forward	<u>61,331</u>	<u>16,952</u>	<u>78,283</u>	<u>79,825</u>
Of which:				
Designated Funds	<u>25,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
Other Funds	<u>36,331</u>	<u>16,952</u>	<u>53,283</u>	<u>54,825</u>

DOWNPATRICK ASD FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

BALANCE SHEET 31ST MARCH 2024

2023 £		2024 £
	FIXED ASSETS	-
	CURRENT ASSETS	
79,825	Bank Accounts	78,283
<u>-</u>	CURRENT LIABILITIES	<u>-</u>
<u>79,825</u>	NET CURRENT ASSETS	<u>78,283</u>
79,825	TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	78,283
<u>-</u>	LONG TERM LIABILITIES	<u>-</u>
<u>79,825</u>	NET ASSETS	<u>78,283</u>
£	REPRESENTED BY:	£
46,797	Reserves Brought forward	79,825
<u>33,028</u>	(Deficit)/Surplus for the year	<u>(1,542)</u>
<u>79,825</u>	Reserves Carried Forward	<u>78,283</u>

Approved by the Trustees

ANDREA CRAIG
CHAIRPERSON
DOWNPATRICK ASD FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

DATE

Downpatrick ASD Family Support Group

Northern Ireland - Charity number 108387

Annual report

DOWNPATRICK ASD FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

Report of the Committee

Period: 1st April 2023 – 31st March 2024

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As of 31st March 2024 the group had no outstanding debts and had reserves of £78,283 of which £16,952 relates to restricted sources of income (grants).

Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Downpatrick ASD Family Support Group

I report on the accounts of Downpatrick ASD Family Support Group for the year ended 31st March 2024.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. 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 Commission 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.

My 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.

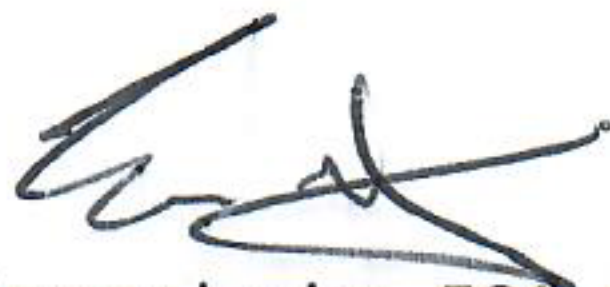
My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. that accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the 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 need to be drawn to your attention.

Name: Eamonn P. McGrady



Relevant professional qualification or body: FCA, Chartered Accountants Ireland

Address: 4-6 Market Lane, Downpatrick, Co Down BT30 6TH

Date: 12th December 2024

Accounts

DOWNPATRICK ASD FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR
THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023**

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As of 31st March 2023 the group had no outstanding debts and had reserves of £79,825 of which £33,028 relates to restricted sources of income (grants).

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YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

Report of the Committee and Approval Note.

DESIGNATED FUNDS

Of the unrestricted funds of £46,797 an amount of £25,000 has been ring-fenced in respect of a capital build planned for the near future and was acquired through fundraising.

APPROVAL NOTE

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Maria McGeown

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TREASURER
DOWNPATRICK ASD FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

04/09/2023

DATE

DOWNPATRICK ASD FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

ACCOUNTANTS REPORT

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04/09/2023

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YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023

	2023	2023	2023	2022
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
INCOME	35,172	66,547	101,719	68,205
Direct Cost of Activities	<u>-</u> 35,172	<u>47,307</u> 19,240	<u>47,307</u> 54,412	<u>34,322</u> 33,883
Administrative Expenses	<u>7,261</u>	<u>14,440</u>	<u>21,701</u>	<u>5,046</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS	27,911	4,800	32,711	28,837
Interest Received & Similar Income	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) on Ordinary Activities for the year.	27,911	4,800	32,711	28,837
Balance Brought Forward	<u>18,886</u>	<u>28,228</u>	<u>47,114</u>	<u>18,277</u>
Balance Carried Forward	<u>46,797</u>	<u>33,028</u>	<u>79,825</u>	<u>47,114</u>
Of which:				
Designated Funds	<u>25,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Other Funds	<u>21,797</u>	<u>33,028</u>	<u>54,825</u>	<u>47,114</u>

DOWNPATRICK ASD FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

BALANCE SHEET 31ST MARCH 2023

2022 £		2023 £
	FIXED ASSETS	-
	CURRENT ASSETS	
47,114	Bank Accounts	79,825
<u>-</u>	CURRENT LIABILITIES	<u>-</u>
<u>47,114</u>	NET CURRENT ASSETS	<u>79,825</u>
47,114	TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	79,825
<u>-</u>	LONG TERM LIABILITIES	<u>-</u>
<u>47,114</u>	NET ASSETS	<u>79,825</u>
£	REPRESENTED BY:	£
18,277	Reserves Brought forward	47,114
<u>28,837</u>	Surplus for the year	<u>32,711</u>
<u>47,114</u>	Reserves Carried Forward	<u>79,825</u>

Approved by the Trustees

Andrea Craig

04/09/2023

ANDREA CRAIG
CHAIRPERSON
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Name: *Eamonn P. McGrady*

Relevant professional qualification or body: FCA, Chartered Accountants Ireland

Address: 21a Market Street, Downpatrick, Co Down BT30 6LP

Date: 4th September 2023