

Trustees Report for The Village Armagh Ltd (“The Village”)

This report will cover the full period from the start of the charity 8th March 2022- 8th March 2023.

The Village’s financial year end is 8th March.

The Village is a charity registered with the Charity Commission NI (registration date: 28th September 2022. Charity Registration number: NIC109074).

Charitable Purposes:

1. To create inclusive spaces for women and children to be, gather and connect, where they are supported and support others with compassion, empathy and kindness and without competition.
2. To encourage and enable friendship, support, connection and community amongst women in Armagh, its surrounding areas and beyond and to promote social inclusion.
3. To encourage and facilitate the coming together of groups of women and children to learn and share skills.
4. To encourage and promote intergenerational social interaction and skill sharing for their mutual benefit.
5. To support, whether emotionally or financially, women and children in need of such support.

Outputs – what The Village has done

- Facilitate and host community groups
- Facilitate and host paid groups and classes
- Provide a welcoming, supportive and inclusive space for women and children in the Armagh area.
- Provide a space for recycling collection (Terracycle), distribution of food bank vouchers and period poverty supplies
- Represent Armagh women at events
- Sharing information

Outcomes – What the Village has achieved

The first part of the year was spent renovating the space, creating facebook group and page, setting up as a charity, applying for funding and growing the membership/supporters.

Event	Date	Detail
First Meeting	March 22	Initial ideas and community gathering
Attended Bounce Back Armagh and met other community groups and support	August 22	

Attend fundraising event in Armagh city Hotel and presented to the room. Awarded £500 of funding	Oct 22	
Announce opening	October 22	
Painting party	5 th Nov	Community building and social
Official opening	7 th Nov	
Announced new groups	4 th Nov	Drop in days (regular) Meet up Mondays (weekly) Baby and Breastfeeding group (weekly) Create and chat (monthly)
Sands NI group	6 th Dec	Hosted support group for bereaved parents
Christmas Create and Chat	25 th Nov	
Distributed xmas gifts to families	5 th Dec	
Announced Armagh Women's festival	13 th Dec	
Women's Christmas outing	6 th Jan 23	
Launch Wednesday open posting for women owned businesses	Jan 23	
Imbolc Brigid's cross making evening	31st Jan	
Donation collection for Syria and Turkey earthquake relief	9 th Feb	
Launched schedule for women's festival	12 th Feb	
Galentines dinner	18 th Feb	
Armagh Women's Festival	4 th and 5 th March	Sat: Women's Health talk with WRDA This is me- Kids Craft workshop Women in writing workshop How to become the parent you want to be Bingo Ladies night Sun: Women's circle This is me women's craft The Village panel of Interesting women

Impacts and Benefits – what difference The Village has made

Created community
Prevented social isolation

Gave women purpose and positive involvement
Included children so women were able to come because they knew their children were welcome
Did all events free so there was no reason women couldn't attend
Empowered women to run their own events
Support, advice and signposting

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



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Rhian Horwill

21.01.2025

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Date