

Friends of Clare

Northern Ireland · Charity number 109273

Details

Status	Received
Registered	2022-11-25
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

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Activities

Purposes: The purpose of the Association (the Purposes) is to advance the education of pupils in the school in particular by: Developing effective relationships between the staff, parents and others associated with the school; Engaging in activities or providing facilities or equipment which support the school and advance the education of the pupils.

What the charity does: The advancement of education

How the charity works: Community development, Education/training

Who the charity helps: Children (5-13 year olds), General public, General public, General public, General public

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£8,645	£1,326	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Christine Sinton		
Christopher Mcconville		
Jessica Kinnersley		

Accounts

Friends of Clare
Year ended 31st March 2025
Receipts & Payments Account

	31-Mar 2025	31-Mar 2024
RECEIPTS		
Quiz Fundraiser	350.00	1,094.10
Movie Night Fundraiser	380.00	-
Valentines Fundraiser	241.00	-
Quiz Sponsorship	760.00	2,035.00
Chromebook Sponsorship	6,680.00	-
Easyfundraising Income	44.74	-
ASDA Cashpot income	189.35	-
Donation	-	400.00
Fitness Freddie Fundraiser	-	2,475.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	8,645.09	6,004.10

PAYMENTS		
Quiz Expenses	-	165.00
Resources for school - indoor & outdoor	833.78	1,000.00
Entertainment - last day Ice cream/Christmas crackers	193.00	-
Bank charges	79.14	88.83
Parent Kind Subscription	-	308.00
Pantomime Trip for school	-	2,211.00
Fitness Freddie cost	-	340.00
Automated External Defibrillator & installation costs	-	2,250.00
AED promotion costs	-	75.00
Paint for school	-	70.00
Leavers Hoodies	220.00	375.30
TOTAL PAYMENTS	1,325.92	6,883.13

NET SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR 7,319.17 - 879.03

OPENING BANK BALANCE 2,239.37 3,118.40

CLOSING BANK BALANCE 9,558.54 2,239.37

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Annual report

FRIENDS OF CLARE PTA TRUSTEES REPORT APR 23 – MAR 24

Friends of Clare PTA associated with Clare Primary School in Tandragee have had a very successful fundraising year. The PTA had been at a standstill for a few years due to the Covid pandemic and we wanted to ensure we built up some funds to use for the school to use towards the benefits of the school, the children, their education. We wanted to help the children progress their emotional and social development, as well as ensure local community spirit and engagement.

In April we held a community quiz and this was great fun for all involved. We ensured the cost did not isolate larger families and the ticket price included food for everyone. There was a lot of community spirit as well as some healthy competition going on. Lots of local businesses small and large sponsored the event in return for getting some publicity on the evening. This alongside the ticket prices and the prize draw made it our most profitable event of the year.

In November we decided to do a sponsored event. Fitness Freddy came to the school to do a sponsored danceathon with the children. All children had sponsor sheets and asked friends and families to help them raise funds. The children had a great time and were very tired by the time the event was over!

Last year we were successful in gaining ABC council funding for an external AED to be fitted, where costs of the item and installation fell in this financial year. Friends of Clare members painted the front of the school in preparation and had the area well prepared for the installation. The Lord Mayor of Armagh came to open it for us and have a photo opportunity with the headmistress and some of the children. This AED is necessary in a rural setting such as this with lots of farming communities locally and housing developments built close by.

The funds Friends of Clare raised this year were used to both support the school infrastructure and assist the school in building community links. We paid for the P7 leavers hoodies for 2 years, as well as our Parentkind membership each year. The funds paid for the school buses to bring the children to swimming lessons. We bought resources for the classes from a local nursery that was closing down. We also funded items for the outdoor play boxes so the children had extra items to play with during break time.

One of our most successful things to have funded was a full school trip to see the Pantomime at Christmastime. This was the first full school trip in many years and the children had a brilliant time. Friends of Clare had a party bag for every child with sweets, crisps, chocolate, slap band and a printed reminder of their day.

The children of Clare Primary have been very thoughtful and ensured that they made thank you cards to all of the local businesses who donated goods, food or money towards any of our events. The headmistress, teachers and pupils alike have thanked Friends of Clare for their help and fundraising which has helped the school to purchase items for events which would have been outside of the budget. We hope to continue to support the school and local community in the coming years.

Trustee report written on behalf of all Trustees of Friends of Clare Primary by Chairperson, Audrey Docherty.

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Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Friends of Clare

I report on the accounts of the Trust 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 sections 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 explanation 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 require drawing to your attention.

Name: Brian Short

Relevant professional qualification or body: FCCA

Address: 63 Dundrum Road, Tassagh, Armagh, BT60 2QE

Date: 29th November 2024