

Reference and administration details

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name

Dates acted if not for whole year

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

Constitution of SAMs SCIO

The structure of the organisation consists of the CHARITY TRUSTEES who are also the organisation's only members and comprise the organisation's BOARD.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

Mr Colin Manclark (Chairperson and Treasurer)
Miss Cara O'Donnell (Secretary)
Fr William McMahon

All trustees were appointed on acceptance of OSCR status and further trustees can be appointed upon application.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

To ensure the provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

To provide recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended. This will be achieved through a monthly club, annual respite holiday, outings and other activities that will allow young people with special needs to play and interact with other children and assisted support from volunteers. It will also allow the parents/carers of these young people some time to relax and watch their child interact and play with others.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

SAMs Charity continued with its original planned activities and operations during 2024/25; running more varied clubs, welcoming new families, providing short breaks and our Annual Holiday. SAMs secured grants, donations and fundraising activities totalling £46,640 during the year, with £65,781 held previously in bank and cash equivalents to facilitate service provision. The charity is in a secure financial position and looks forward to continuing our aims in the upcoming year.

Our main priorities this year were to welcome new families to the group and provide more variety to our monthly clubs and an annual holiday for all members at the same time. We have since seen further increases in the uptake of short breaks for families in the caravans. We also sought to upgrade the older one our 2 bedroom caravans to a 3 bedroom so that more families can benefit from the short breaks we offer. To this end we have upgraded this in October 2024 at an initial cost of £25445. It required internal upgrades to make habitable at around £8000.

We funded and organised a full week 28 July to 1 August 2025 the annual holiday at Drimsynie Holiday Park for all families. Total costs for this trip amounted to £17230. To this we welcomed 2 new families to enjoy the opportunity.

In order to promote the safety/health of those supported, we ran a 5 day-long Summer Respite Holidays benefitting 22 children with disabilities/multiple ASN, 18 sibling/children, and 28 Parents/Carers that were supported by 25 volunteers. We provided a range of activities for small groups of children each day; outdoor games, indoor activities/crafts, and sensory support set-up using our own resources/specially-adapted equipment and Caravan as well as on-site swimming, nature walks, boat trips, movie afternoons, sand art, teddy-making, pottery, laser-quest and gorge-walking. There was entertainment in the evening such as a small Fancy Dress/Talent Show and Discos. We also organised an all-inclusive Sports Day for all the families to enjoy.

The activities provided enabled Parents/Carers to access much-needed respite, helping them better cope with the challenges they face daily. To further help parent/carers de-stress, we supported them to each access Spa Treatments, massages, reflexology, etc. We also provided games and activity packs for families to use within their own caravan during the evenings, enabling families to focus on having fun and enjoying each other's company away from the stress and everyday challenges faced at home, which further helped build family relationships. We also included an evening of respite care for the families so that the parent/carers could enjoy an evening meal while the volunteers looked after the children for a few hours. All Trustees are shown the final accounts and OSCR submissions at the point of signing this Report.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

All reserves remain tied to the Club until such end it ceases to exist. Any surplus assets available to the organisation immediately preceding its winding-up must be used for purposes which are the same as - or which closely resemble - the purposes of the organisation as set out in this constitution.

We will continue to use our funds for the good of the families and in running our Clubs, short breaks and ensuring we can continue to deliver the Annual Holiday which are the primary aim of SAMs.

Details of any deficit

Deficit of £30489 which primarily was due to significantly less grants/donations than previous years and the upgraded caravan. With less expenditure required this year we do not anticipate further deficits. Still within Operating Reserves Policy of £15-20,000 in reserves to ensure full year's basic operating costs.

Donated facilities and services (if any)

St Michael's Parish Church Hall to be used once a month for the Club and events as required.

APPENDIX 1

Other optional information

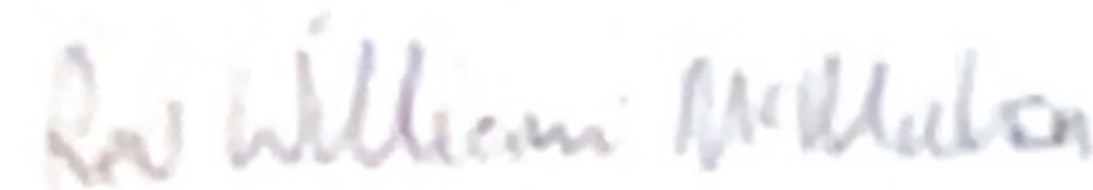
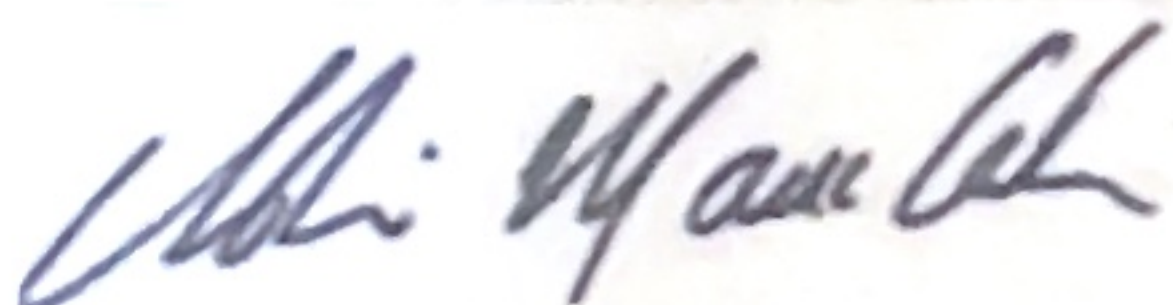
SAMs recorded an operating deficit of just over £30489.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s) Mr Colin Manclark

Miss Cara O'Donnell

Fr William McMahon

Position (e.g. Chair) Chairperson/Treasurer

Secretary

Date 03/01/2026

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