

**MU Council 13/10/21**

**Item 3**

**CARLISLE DIOCESE MOTHER'S UNION**

**REPORT AND CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNTS**

**For the Year Ended**

**31<sup>st</sup> December 2020**

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## **CARLISLE DIOCESE MOTHERS' UNION**

**Registered Charity No 1078251**

### **Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2020**

The Trustees are pleased to submit their report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020

The address of the Society is now that of the Diocesan President: Janice Eadington:  
62 Bigland Drive, ULVERSTON LA12 9PD

Board of Trustees who served during the year ended 31 December 2020

#### **Diocesan President**

Janice Eadington

#### **Vice Presidents**

Brenda Gear

Mary Banks

#### **Unit Co-ordinator, Action and Outreach**

Daphne Sisson

#### **Deanery Leaders**

Edna Walmsley/Kay Shepherd. (We were sorry to report the death of Edna Walmsley in July 2020)

Deb Lee

Jill Richardson

Ann Wodeman

Carole Gardner

Barbara Simpson

The new Board was elected from 1 January 2019. The majority of the members of the new Board were re-elected, with duties held by individual Trustees being allocated as per the election results.

The Diocesan President, Vice-Presidents, and Unit Co-ordinators are elected by Members of the Diocesan Council by simple majority.

Each Deanery Leader is elected by the Branch Leaders of the Deanery.

**Bankers:** Cumberland Building Society, Carlisle CA3 0JF

## **CARLISLE DIOCESE MOTHERS' UNION**

The purpose of the Mothers' Union is to be especially concerned with all that strengthens marriage and Christian family life.

The Aim of the Society is the advancement of the Christian religion in the sphere of marriage and family life.

In order to carry out this Aim the Objects of the Mothers' Union are:

- 1 To uphold Christ's teaching on the nature of marriage and to promote its wider understanding
- 2 To encourage parents to bring up their children in the faith and life of the Church
- 3 To maintain a world-wide fellowship of Christians united in prayer, worship and service
- 4 To promote conditions in society favourable to stable family life and the protection of children
- 5 To help those whose family life has met with adversity.

Membership is open to all who:

- a) Have been baptised in the name of the Holy Trinity
- b) Declare their support for the aims and objects of the Society.

### **Responsibilities of the Trustees**

They shall debate, consider and determine all matters of policy and strategy to be effected on behalf of Carlisle Diocese Mothers' Union.

They shall manage and supervise the finances of the Society and review and evaluate the work of the Society.

They shall receive, consider and respond to all resolutions received from the Diocesan Council.

Procedures are in place for the regular training of Trustees to ensure good practice and awareness of their responsibilities. Training is also given to Deanery and Branch officials at regular intervals.

The Trustees have undertaken a review of the major risks which the Society faces. They have taken steps to establish procedures to manage and mitigate them.

### **Reserves Policy**

The Trustees have reviewed the Reserves of the Society. This review considered the nature of the income and expenditure streams, the need to match variable income with fixed commitments and the nature of the Reserves. The review concluded that to allow the Society to be managed efficiently we should aim to keep Reserves at their present level, which equates to approximately 12 months of charitable expenditure.

## Organisation

Carlisle Diocese Mothers' Union is autonomous and is one of the federated Mothers' Union Charities in the British Isles. As such it operates in conjunction with the central charity of the Mothers' Union at Mary Sumner House, 24 Tufton Street, London, SW1P 3RB

In 2020 there were 55 branches and 1100 members of the Mothers' Union in the Diocese. Some members, not belonging to a specific branch, are Diocesan members. The organisation, whether at Diocesan, Deanery or Branch level, aims to reach out to those in need of all ages. Communities of Interest, together with Diocesan Services, all help to facilitate the work. In addition to assisting with major projects organised by the Action and Outreach Team many branches have their own 'mini' projects. All the work is underpinned by prayer. Carlisle Diocese is linked with 5 dioceses overseas and one diocese in Britain, and tries to keep in touch with them.

To enable all members to be well informed, a newsletter is produced and distributed three times a year.

Three meetings of the Trustees and two meetings of the Diocesan Council were held. **Due to Coronavirus restrictions**, only the February Trustees and March Council meetings were held face to face, the others conducted via e mail. Our planned Sharing Day was cancelled.

The theme for the year was "Building Hope and Confidence". An ideas leaflet had been produced with suggestions to help with branch meetings. However, face to face meetings had to be cancelled due to Coronavirus restrictions, although some members managed to meet virtually. In April, a Quiet Day was held via Facebook instead of in person. The General Meeting due to be held in Belfast in September was cancelled, as was the planned November retreat.

The Trustees have considered the requirements of the Charity Commissioners regarding public benefit and are satisfied that the activities of the Carlisle Diocese Mothers' Union meet these requirements.

## Ongoing Projects

1. **Away From It All** – holidays, short breaks and days out for families and children who have met with adversity – can include breaks for carers. Applications were limited this year because of Coronavirus.
2. **Prison Work** – caring for children in the Safe Play Area at Haverigg Prison, not possible during the pandemic. 'Crosses in a Pocket' were made and left in the Prison Chapel and Visitor Centre, which were much appreciated. Provision of Christmas cards for all prisoners.
3. **Hospital Work** – providing garments for stillborn and premature babies and "Crosses in a Pocket" placed in the chapels to comfort those in trouble. Additional gifts this year of paired hearts, scrubs bags, provided to help in the Coronavirus situation. The MUFFIN project provides toiletries for people admitted unexpectedly into hospital, refuges and hostels.
4. **Work with the elderly** – the Outreach Choir was unable to give planned short concerts in Residential Homes due to Coronavirus restrictions. No visiting could be carried out.
5. **Work with young people** – Schools work mainly put on hold because of the Coronavirus situation. Some books donated at Christmas and gift bags given for staff.
6. **The One to Five Bursary Fund** – gives grants to support Christian nurture work with children and young people.



### ***Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Carlisle Diocese Mothers' Union***

I report on the accounts of the Carlisle Diocese Mothers' Union for the year ended 31 December 2020, which are set out on pages 64 to 8.

### ***Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner***

The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner under section 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### ***Basis of independent examiner's report***

The examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### ***Independent examiner's statement***

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
  - (a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - (b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name of principal: Andrew Molyneux

Address: 6 Leicester Avenue, Liverpool, L22 2BA

Date: 24 October 2021

**Carlisle Diocese Mothers' Union**  
**Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2020**

<b>Voluntary Income</b>		<b>2020</b>		<b>2019</b>	
Subscriptions, levies and insurance		21,902		22,216	
Donations		1,081		3,897	
Gift Aid Recovered		1,854		3,562	
Special Events	1	25		1,473	
Outings and Visits	1	-		3,495	
Income from Meetings	1	1,271	26,133	4,679	39,322
<b>Income from Charitable activities</b>					
AFIA		50		554	
Other		-	50	-	554
<b>Income from Trading Activities</b>					
Magazine Subscriptions		-		-	
Sale of Mothers' Union Goods	2	700		687	
Turnover Related Grant - Head Office	3	743	1,443	765	1,452
<b>Investment Income</b>			258		320
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>			27,884		41,648
<b>EXPENDITURE on</b>					
<b>Charitable Activities</b>					
AFIA		537		475	
Other		-	537	-	475
<b>Payments to Central Mothers' Union</b>					
Membership Subscriptions		15,877		18,323	
Donations	4	10,000		3,806	
MUe Goods	2	675	26,552	521	22,650
<b>Administration and Training</b>					
Conferences and Training days		-		-	
Meeting Costs	1	1,279		4,116	
Reimbursement of Office Holders Expenses	5	4,777		7,343	
Administration		426	6,482	666	12,125

**Other Expenses**

Communication and Printing		2,251		2,353	
Cost of Fundraising		167		225	
Outings and Visits	1	-		3,472	
Sundry Expenses		451	2,869	1,718	7,768
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>			36,440		43,018
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>			(8,556)		(1,370)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD</b>			96,343		97,713
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>			87787		96,343



**Carlisle Diocese Mothers' Union**  
**Consolidated Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2020**

	2020		2019	
General Fund				
Investment Income				
Diocesan CCLA Deposit Account	22,047	22,047	22,047	22,047
Cash at Bank and in Hand				
Branches and Deaneries	11,236		16,190	
Diocesan	25,657	36,893	29,557	45,747
FUND BALANCES - GENERAL FUND		58,940		67,794
Restricted Fund				
One to Five Bursary Fund				
One to Five General Fund	-		107	
CBF Investment Fund	4,368		3,451	
		4,368		3,558
Cash at Bank and in Hand				
One to Five bank Account	-		2,035	
One to Five CBF Deposit Account	11,370		11,300	
		11,370		13,335
FUND BALANCES - ONE TO FIVE FUND		15,738		16,893
TOTAL FUND BALANCES		74,678		84,759

**Carlisle Diocese Mothers' Union****Notes forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2020**

	2020	2019
<b>1 Income from Special Events, Outings and Meetings</b>		
General Meeting	-	-
Other Special Events	25	1,473
Other Outings	-	3,495
Branch and Deanery Meetings	1,271	4,679
	<u>1,296</u>	<u>9,647</u>
 Expenses relating to Special Events		
General Meetings related expenses	-	-
Cost of Other Outings	-	(3,472)
Branch/Deanery/Diocesan Meetings	(1,279)	(4,116)
Speakers Fees	(426)	(2,749)
	<u>(1,705)</u>	<u>(10,337)</u>
 <b>2 Mothers' Union Goods</b>		
Income from sale of goods	700	687
Purchases from MU Enterprises	(675)	(521)
Purchase of Calendars	-	-
	<u>25</u>	<u>166</u>
 <b>3 Turnover Grant</b>		
Purchases from Central Trading Company, MU Enterprises Ltd., which are sold through Carlisle Diocese Mothers' Union and its Deaneries and Branches, attract a 10% payback known as Turnover Related Grant. Carlisle Diocese Mothers' Union received £743 (2019 - £765) for its contribution to this activity, the profits of which supports the work done through the Central Mothers' Union.	743	765
 <b>4 Monies sent to Central Mothers' Union</b>		
Overseas Fund	-	2,498
Britain & Ireland Fund	-	100
Relief Fund	-	173
Other	10,000	1,035
	<u>10,000</u>	<u>3,806</u>
 <b>5 Reimbursement of Officeholders Expenses</b>		
Diocesan President	800	1,381

Diocesan Secretary	1,500	2,141
Diocesan Treasurer	1,600	1600
Other	877	2,221
	<hr/> 4,777	<hr/> 7,343 <hr/>