

**The Nottingham Irish Centre**  
(Registered charity, number 1165907)  
**Financial statements**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2021**

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**The Nottingham Irish Centre  
Trustees' annual report  
for the year ended 31 March 2021**

**Full name** The Nottingham Irish Centre

**Organisation type** Charitable incorporated organisation

**Registered charity number** 1165907

**Principal address**

The Nottingham Irish Centre, 2-4 Wilford Street, Nottingham NG2 1AA

**Trustees**

James Greaney

Margaret Keane

Kevin McElhone, from 5/5/2021

Hugh Fitzmaurice

Eugene Murphy, from 5/5/2021

**Independent examiner**

John O'Brien, employee of Community Accounting Plus, Unit 1&2 Northwest, 41 Talbot Street, Nottingham NG1 5GL.

**Governance and management**

The charity is operated under the rules of its Association registered 7 March 2016 & amended on 27 March 2019.

**Objectives and activities**

- 1) To promote the benefit of and to relieve the needs of people, in particular but not exclusively Irish people, those of Irish descent and their families living in and around the Nottingham area (the 'area of benefit') by such charitable means as the trustees see fit including but not limited to providing a facility for recreation and other leisure-time occupation in the interests of social welfare and an advice bureau at which such persons can meet, maintain contact and receive advice and support all with the aim of improving their conditions and quality of life (note; all users of the Nottingham Irish Centre are treated equally regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, gender or sexual orientation).
- 2) To promote Irish heritage and culture amongst people living in and around the area of benefit, including but not limited by:
  - (a) Facilitating the provision of and access to Irish history, music, dance and art and by hosting events and educational classes that foster and preserve Irish heritage and culture; and
  - (b) Providing a place for the practice and enjoyment of Irish amateur sports, cultural and other recreational activities.

**Public benefit statement**

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

## **The Nottingham Irish Centre**

### **Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit**

Welfare and support services for the Irish community.

Irish Music Lessons.

The Shamrock Club for Irish elders.

Irish Set Dancing.

Nottingham Irish Centre provides a physical base for the Irish community in Nottingham and facilitates cultural and social activities by other community organisations.

### **Summary of the main achievements during the period**

Like many community organisations 2021 has been another difficult and challenging year for Nottingham Irish Centre. Our main source of revenue is rent from our tenant (we have a lease whereby the tenant uses the premises but allows us to continue to use it as a community centre). In August 2021 the tenant resumed his business and we are again receiving rent and some of our community groups have been meeting in the last few months.

This year we also applied for a grant from the National Lottery Awards for All for another part-time Community Support Worker and we were successful in getting funding for one year to start in 2021/2022 and the new worker will commence work in January 2022. This will allow us to expand our support to elderly members of the Irish community, many of whom have struggled since the pandemic began.

Much support to Irish elders has come from the Golden Shamrocks Group which organises a weekly lunch club and other support services. However, this group has been struggling as their management committee has been depleted by illness and the frailty of its members. Up to now the Golden Shamrocks has been a separate organisation although it has the same aims as the Irish Centre and our membership overlaps to some extent. Under the circumstances the Irish Centre has therefore agreed to the affiliation of the Golden Shamrocks although it will maintain its own identity as a sub-group of the Irish Centre.

### **The charity's policy on reserves**

We will seek to maintain reserves of between 6 – 12 months running costs.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Hugh Fitzmaurice, Trustee

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of  
The Nottingham Irish Centre  
for the year ended 31 March 2021**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Nottingham Irish Centre for the year ended 31 March 2021.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
John O'Brien MSc, FCCA, FCIE  
Employee of Community Accounting Plus

**The Nottingham Irish Centre  
Receipts & payments account  
for the year ended 31 March 2021**

<i>2020</i> £		<i>2021</i> £
	<b>Receipts</b>	
<u>32726</u>	Rents	<u>2491</u>
<u>32726</u>	<b>Total receipts</b>	<u><b>2491</b></u>
	<b>Payments</b>	
11684	Building repairs	-
3772	Insurance	3091
789	Legal & professional fees	5739
-	Security	671
450	Events	1000
1040	Equipment	-
72	Bank charges	72
67	Stationery	163
2400	Wages	3600
43	Expenses	-
100	Donation given	100
<u>20417</u>	<b>Total payments</b>	<u><b>14436</b></u>
12309	<b>Net receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>(11945)</b>
<u>43850</u>	Cash funds at start of this period	<u>56159</u>
<u>56159</u>	<b>Cash funds at end of this period</b>	<u><b>44214</b></u>

**The Nottingham Irish Centre  
Statement of assets and liabilities  
at 31 March 2021**

<i>2020</i>		<i>2021</i>
£	<b>Cash assets</b>	£
56159	Bank accounts	44214
<u>56159</u>		<u>44214</u>
	<b>Other monetary assets</b>	
1257	Prepayments: Insurance	1030
<u>1257</u>		<u>1030</u>
	<b>Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	
	General equipment.	
	Computer purchased November 2018 at a cost of £1,300	
	Safe purchased July 2019 at a cost of £1,040	
	<b>Liabilities</b>	
(372)	Creditors: Independent examination	(372)
<u>(372)</u>		<u>(372)</u>

These financial statements are accepted on behalf of the charity by:

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_  
James Greaney, Trustee

**The Nottingham Irish Centre**  
**Notes to the accounts**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2021**

**1. Receipts & payments accounts**

Receipts and payments accounts contain a summary of money received and money spent during the period and a list of assets and liabilities at the end of the period. Usually, cash received and cash spent will include transactions through bank accounts and cash in hand.

**2. Related party transactions**

There were no related party transactions in this period.

**3. Trustees' remuneration**

Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.

**4. Glossary of terms**

**Prepayments:** These are services that the charity has paid for in advance, but not used during the accounting period.

**Creditors:** These are amounts owed by the charity, but not paid during the accounting period.