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Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: NI614236 (Northern Ireland)

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 100414

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND**

**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

**FOR**

**FERMANAGH GENEALOGY CENTRE**

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**FERMANAGH GENEALOGY CENTRE**

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**  
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The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**Objectives and aims**

Fermanagh Genealogy Centre aims:

1. To promote genealogical services principally in within County Fermanagh and beyond.
2. To welcome members from across the community irrespective of religious, ethnic, cultural or sexual orientation.
3. To offer its members a range of experiences in educational and social areas.
4. To preserve, disseminate and to educate in areas relevant to the cultural and genealogical heritage of County Fermanagh.
5. To hold monthly public meetings that are open to members and the general public.
6. To offer a live online recording of public meetings to members and to have these archived for posterity.
7. To welcome visitors to its advisory service hosted at Enniskillen Castle Museum.
8. To offer an online genealogical advice service.
9. To preserve local historical data through its transcription service.
10. To create a Fermanagh centric genealogical data base

All of the above activities are completed on a voluntary basis and no salary is paid to any member of FGC.

To conclude, FGC is a welcoming group whose members are adults from across the world who share a passion for family history and County Fermanagh.

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**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**Significant activities and Public benefit**

Fermanagh Genealogy Centre's committee continues to hold monthly meetings and minutes are recorded by the secretary, inclusive of financial reports. These meetings are facilitated online through use of Zoom and are chaired by Frankie Roofe. Regarding our members/public meetings, the online Zoom feature has greatly appealed to our overseas members and FGC has seen a significant rise in membership. The use of monthly bulletins from the secretary helps keep the membership informed of developments.

We continue to be the Genealogical Heritage provider in Fermanagh for Fermanagh and Omagh District Council and are grateful for their annual grant. We meet with FODC's designated representatives on a quarterly basis and provide a review of our activities and expenditure.

Without doubt the highlight of 2022 for FGC was its launch of the 'Back Streets-Dardanelles' memory map in October. This project was funded through the Heritage Lottery Fund, facilitated through its Fermanagh organ, Lough Erne Landscape Partnership. This drew in good numbers at our launch and we are very proud of this project which we know will keep alive this once vibrant area of Enniskillen. Responses from viewers have been very positive, as was our co-operation with the Inniskillings Military Museum who assisted us with information on the First World War dead from the Back Streets. This online memory map is available to view on our website and is free to all.

Our [www.fermanaghgenealogy.org](http://www.fermanaghgenealogy.org) website offers members access to recordings of our talks, as well as access to articles published by our membership. The technical side of FGC's affairs is expertly managed by Mary-Anne Grant.

Enniskillen Castle Museum put on an exhibition of FGC's project on the Loftus-Tottenham family from Ely Lodge, County Fermanagh. This had earlier been postponed due to Covid restrictions. This gave visitors from near and far an experience of FGC's research.

Covid restrictions yet again prevented Face to Face meetings at our Enniskillen Castle hub. It is our intention to hold these again in 2023, dependent on circumstances. Our transcription teams continued to transcribe National School records but a major development was our assisting Enniskillen Castle Museum with transcription of their Enniskillen Work House records.

Each year we invite a 'special' guest speaker as a highlight to our Talks Programme. In April 2022 Enzo Farinella, formerly an Italian Papal envoy to Ireland, gave a superb presentation on 'Irish Christian missionaries, with a focus on Fermanagh'.

The summer annual trip was hosted in June with 15 members taking part. Commencing with a boat tour around Enniskillen and followed by a walking tour of the town, the event concluded with a meal in the Taphouse. Our AGM was held on Saturday 11th June 2022. Regarding our committee, Dave McNulty stood down as both a Trustee and Committee member. Karen Ireson relinquished her role as Volunteer Co-ordinator but remained as our Face Book manager, alongside Linda Swindle. Caroline Fitzpatrick took over as Volunteer co-ordinator and also Membership co-ordinator. She also acts as our bookkeeper assisting Frankie, our Honorary Treasurer. I continued as Secretary and Vivienne Carson did so as Policies co-ordinator and Entertainments Officer. Mary-Anne Grant continued as Technical Officer.

Our Fermanagh Roots Journal Issue 2 reached a landmark with its sale surpassing 300 copies.

The following policies were completed or updated during 2022:

Complaints Policy  
Equality Policy

Volunteering areas:

Our current number of volunteers is 16 with 2 new volunteers in the pipeline.  
Our Committee has 7 active members.

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**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

4 volunteers continue to transcribe our own schoolbooks and graveyard records. We also have a rota with 9 volunteers transcribing the Workhouse records in conjunction with Enniskillen Castle.

Our enquiry team is due to conduct face to face consultations again, with limited capacity, arrangements to be agreed with Enniskillen Castle.

Just two volunteers are keeping the enquiry service operational by remote monitoring of email enquiries. We, again have several new volunteers receiving training to join the email enquiry team.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

**Financial position**

Financial report:

The financial position at Fermanagh Genealogy Centre continues to be positive, although we had a deficit of £2,824 (compared to a surplus of £6,316 last year). This was mainly due to costs for the Dardanelles Project and the purchase of new equipment and laptops.

Voluntary donations continue to make a positive contribution to the financial stability of the organisation (£416 compared to the previous year of £3,139).

The donations from the American Ireland Fund had come in early last year, so none showing this year.

Membership income has increased when compared with previous years (£1,537 this year, when compared to the previous year of £963). Grant monies increased this year to £2,319 when compared to the previous year of £2,000. This includes grants from FODC and LELP.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Company number**

NI614236 (Northern Ireland)

**Registered Charity number**

100414

**Registered office**

5 The Willows  
Enniskillen  
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**Trustees**

Mrs V Carson  
M Hall  
Ms K Ireson  
J F Roofe  
Mrs V M Wiggins  
Dr D McNulty (resigned 11.6.22)

**Company Secretary**

M Hall

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Independent Examiner**

W K Rainey FCA  
Patton Rainey and Associates  
Chartered Accountants  
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**STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

The trustees (who are also the directors of Fermanagh Genealogy Centre for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 20 May 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



M Hall - Trustee





**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
FERMANAGH GENEALOGY CENTRE**

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I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on pages six to eleven.

**Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees (and also the directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of the 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. The 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 explanations 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland
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.

W K Rainey FCA

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20 May 2023

**FERMANAGH GENEALOGY CENTRE**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**for the Year Ended 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Notes	31.12.22 Unrestricted fund £	31.12.21 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and legacies		5,280	9,143
Investment income	2	14	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>5,294</b>	<b>9,146</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
Raising funds		8,118	2,830
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		<b>(2,824)</b>	<b>6,316</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward		11,888	5,572
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>9,064</b>	<b>11,888</b>

The notes form part of these financial statements



**BALANCE SHEET**  
**31 DECEMBER 2022**

		<b>31.12.22</b>	<b>31.12.21</b>
		<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Total</b>
		<b>fund</b>	<b>funds</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>	Notes		
Debtors	5	<b>1,852</b>	1,181
Cash at bank and in hand		<b>8,012</b>	11,007
		<b>9,864</b>	12,188
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	6	<b>(800)</b>	(300)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>9,064</b>	11,888
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>9,064</b>	11,888
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>9,064</b>	11,888
<b>FUNDS</b>	7		
Unrestricted funds		<b>9,064</b>	11,888
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<b>9,064</b>	11,888

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 20 May 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:



M Hall - Trustee

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**for the Year Ended 31 DECEMBER 2022**

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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

**Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

**Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

**2. INVESTMENT INCOME**

	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Bank Interest	14	3
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**3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2022 nor for the year ended 31 December 2021.

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2022 nor for the year ended 31 December 2021.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**  
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**4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted fund £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>	
Donations and legacies	9,143
Investment income	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,146</b>
 <b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>	
Raising funds	2,830
 <b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>6,316</b>
 <b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>	
Total funds brought forward	5,572
 <b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b>11,888</b>

**5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	31.12.22 £	31.12.21 £
Trade debtors	1,852	1,181

**6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	31.12.22 £	31.12.21 £
Accrued expenses	800	300

**7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.1.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.22 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	11,888	(2,824)	9,064
 <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>11,888</b>	<b>(2,824)</b>	<b>9,064</b>

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**  
**for the Year Ended 31 DECEMBER 2022**

**7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	5,294	(8,118)	(2,824)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>5,294</u>	<u>(8,118)</u>	<u>(2,824)</u>

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1.1.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.21 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	5,572	6,316	11,888
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>5,572</u>	<u>6,316</u>	<u>11,888</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	9,146	(2,830)	6,316
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>9,146</u>	<u>(2,830)</u>	<u>6,316</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.22 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	5,572	3,492	9,064
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>5,572</u>	<u>3,492</u>	<u>9,064</u>

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**  
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**7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	14,440	(10,948)	3,492
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>14,440</u>	<u>(10,948)</u>	<u>3,492</u>

**8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2022.