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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 100414

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023
FOR
FERMANAGH GENEALOGY CENTRE

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for the Year Ended 31 DECEMBER 2023

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FERMANAGH GENEALOGY CENTRE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **for the Year Ended 31 DECEMBER 2023**

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Significant activities and Public benefit

Fermanagh Genealogy Centre continued to thrive in 2023 due to its enthusiastic and dedicated committee and its loyal membership. Our committee in 2023 included Caroline Fitzpatrick, Conor Maguire, Dave McNulty, Frankie Roofe, Fred Cleary, Karen Ireson, Mary-Anne Grant, Mervyn Hall and Viola Wiggins. 2023 saw our greatest ever number of members (over the 100 mark) and, due to use of recordings of talks and live recording of meetings, this has extended our outreach to North America and Australia, as well as the U.K. Monthly bulletins also kept the membership informed of developments.

Monthly meetings in Fermanagh House were very well attended with usually over 30 people physically present, as well as a steady number who viewed online. Our online website at www.fermanaghgenealogy.org placed recorded presentations for the membership to view, at their leisure. These recordings and their editing were expertly dealt with by Mary-Anne Grant. We continued with our active Face Book page which was run by Karen and Linda.

We continued to enjoy a very good relationship with Fermanagh and Omagh District Council who again provided FGC with a grant, in return for our transcription service and Face to Face meetings. The curator kindly made the art room available for the aforementioned activities.

Face to Face meetings resumed from Spring 2023 with Covid in abeyance. Here Frankie and Caroline took on the bulk of these meetings. Great credit also to Caroline who, as well as overseeing our books, organised membership enrolment and volunteering. She also took on the role of co-ordinator for cyber security in October. Shelley, in Canada, responded to all email enquiries and received great praise from those she helped.

Vivienne organised a tour of Enniskillen's Workhouse and the Inniskillings Museum back in April, and this was greatly enjoyed by those in attendance. So, too her annual FGC outing in June which visited places of interest in Monaghan and Cavan. By coincidence, we met an Irish government minister (Heather Humphries) who was attending an event in Clones.

Our major doner, Joe Quinlan & his wife Mary Lou visited Fermanagh in May and it was a pleasure to meet them and their extended Fermanagh family.

FGC Sage Library - books and other family history material continued to be collected in 2023. We await the completion of the agreed appropriate space in the museum before opening up a lending service to our local members.

One consequence of our 2022 Back Streets Dardanelles online memory map, was an award given to Mervyn. The core part of FGC's Back Streets Memory Map, was his research on the men from this part of Enniskillen who were killed in the First World War. Mervyn's role, as an Inniskillings Regimental Museum volunteer, was recognised by The British Museum's Marsh Volunteers' Award. He was the Northern Ireland regional winner for 2023.

Talks Programme for 2023:

January - The border Reivers - Frankie Roofe & Mervyn Hall.
February- The Fermanagh Maguires - Vicky Herbert.
March - Fermanagh & the Crimea War - Mervyn Hall.
April - Shipping records with a focus on Fermanagh - Brian Mitchell.
May - Annual General Meeting & Show and Tell.
June - Annual summer outing - County Monaghan.
September - Tracing an Enniskillen Workhouse family - Frankie Roofe.
October - Fermanagh links/stories from Canadian archives, Shelley Lunney.
November - Fermanagh doctors from across the world - Dr Dave McNulty.
December - Annual FGC Christmas lunch.

The following policies were completed or updated during 2023:

Complaints Policy (February)

Volunteers:

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Our current number of volunteers in 2023 was 13.
Our Committee has 9 active members.

Finally, one event to look forward to in 2024 will be the production of a third FGC Fermanagh Roots Journal.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

Financial report:

The financial position at Fermanagh Genealogy Centre continues to be positive, with net income of £6,230 (compared to a deficit of £2,824 last year). This was mainly due to the increase in income and the costs for the Dardanelles Project and the purchase of new equipment and laptops included last year.

Voluntary donations continue to make a positive contribution to the financial stability of the organisation (£1,177 compared to the previous year of £416).

The donations from the American Ireland Fund amounted to £1,000 with none showing last year.

Membership income has increased when compared with previous years (£2,196 this year, when compared to the previous year of £1,537). Grant monies increased this year to £7,060 when compared to the previous year of £2,319. 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
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Trustees

Mrs V Carson (resigned 20.5.23)
M Hall
Ms K Ireson
J F Roofe
Mrs V M Wiggins
Dr D McNulty (appointed 20.5.23)

Company Secretary

M Hall

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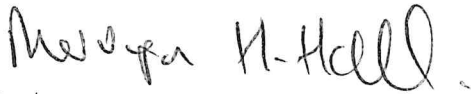
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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent Examiner

Mrs Stephanie Stenson FCA
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 18 May 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Hall', with a small flourish at the end.

M Hall - Trustee

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

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 December 2023, 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

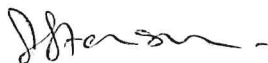
I have examined your charity accounts as required under Section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. The examination included a review of the 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.



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18 May 2024

FERMANAGH GENEALOGY CENTRE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the Year Ended 31 DECEMBER 2023

		31.12.23	31.12.22
		Unrestricted	Total
		fund	funds
	Notes	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		11,028	5,280
Investment income	2	-	14
Total		11,028	5,294
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds		4,798	8,118
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		6,230	(2,824)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		9,064	11,888
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		15,294	9,064

The notes form part of these financial statements

FERMANAGH GENEALOGY CENTRE

BALANCE SHEET
31 DECEMBER 2023

		31.12.23 Unrestricted fund £	31.12.22 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS	Notes		
Debtors	5	1,628	1,852
Cash at bank and in hand		13,966	8,012
		<u>15,594</u>	<u>9,864</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(300)	(800)
		<u>15,294</u>	<u>9,064</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		<u>15,294</u>	<u>9,064</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
		<u>15,294</u>	<u>9,064</u>
NET ASSETS			
		<u>15,294</u>	<u>9,064</u>
FUNDS	7		
Unrestricted funds		15,294	9,064
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>15,294</u>	<u>9,064</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 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 18 May 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:



M Hall - Trustee

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

	31.12.23	31.12.22
	£	£
Bank Interest	-	14
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3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

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4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	5,280
Investment income	14
Total	<u>5,294</u>
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	8,118
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	<u>(2,824)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	11,888
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>9,064</u>

5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.23 £	31.12.22 £
Trade debtors	<u>1,628</u>	<u>1,852</u>

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.23 £	31.12.22 £
Accrued expenses	<u>300</u>	<u>800</u>

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	9,064	6,230	15,294
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>9,064</u>	<u>6,230</u>	<u>15,294</u>

FERMANAGH GENEALOGY CENTRE**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the Year Ended 31 DECEMBER 2023****7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	11,028	(4,798)	6,230
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TOTAL FUNDS	11,028	(4,798)	6,230
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Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	11,888	(2,824)	9,064
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TOTAL FUNDS	11,888	(2,824)	9,064
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Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	5,294	(8,118)	(2,824)
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TOTAL FUNDS	5,294	(8,118)	(2,824)
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A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	11,888	3,406	15,294
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TOTAL FUNDS	11,888	3,406	15,294
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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 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	16,322	(12,916)	3,406
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>16,322</u>	<u>(12,916)</u>	<u>3,406</u>

8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2023.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the Year Ended 31 DECEMBER 2023

	31.12.23 £	31.12.22 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Voluntary Donations	1,177	416
Grants	7,060	2,319
Membership Fees	2,196	1,537
Journal Income and Book Sales	595	1,008
	<u>11,028</u>	<u>5,280</u>
Investment income		
Bank Interest	-	14
Total incoming resources	<u>11,028</u>	<u>5,294</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Insurance	410	410
Equipment	715	666
Room Hire	1,086	296
Stationery and Office Supplies	277	303
Events	350	223
Speakers	411	405
Refreshments	443	119
Accountancy	324	312
Websites	726	592
Dardanelles project	56	4,792
	<u>4,798</u>	<u>8,118</u>
Total resources expended	<u>4,798</u>	<u>8,118</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	<u>6,230</u>	<u>(2,824)</u>