

# NORTH BELFAST HISTORICAL SOCIETY NIC 102097

## TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2022-2023

The objective of the Society, as set out in the Constitution is the advancement of education by promoting interest in local history with a focus on the North Belfast area.

The Society operates in North Belfast but visitors from anywhere are encouraged and welcome to attend our meetings. We invite specialist speakers to give talks and presentations on a variety of topics, usually followed by a question-and-answer session.

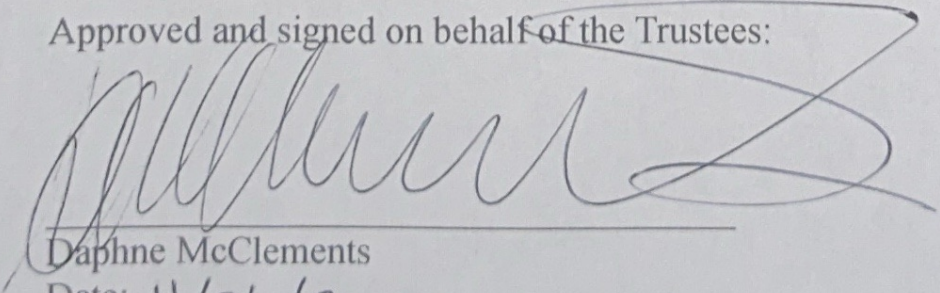
In setting the objectives and planning the activities for the year, the Trustees considered the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities have helped to achieve the Society's purposes and provide a benefit to the beneficiaries. The Society is open to all regardless of faith, race or personal circumstances.

A successful series of nine monthly talks were held from September 2022 to May 2023. Topics covered included:

- The Merchant Families of Belfast as viewed through their Memorials in Belfast City Cemetery
- Biblical Architecture
- The History of St Malachy's College
- The Tribulations of Two Victorian Railway Companies
- The Vikings in Ireland
- The Cavehill
- Killyleagh
- Herbert Hughes: Composer, Organist, Arranger of Irish Folk Songs

The following served as trustees: Daphne McClements (Chairperson), Timothy Wilson (Secretary), Colin Bell, Anne Fitzpatrick, Quintin Mulligan, Ruth Starrett, Margi Crawford, Rosemary Johnston, Patsy Rainey and Pauline Tohill.

Approved and signed on behalf of the Trustees:



Daphne McClements

Date: 11/06/2025