

Country Comes To Town

Northern Ireland · Charity number 102271

Details

Known as	CCTT
Status	Received
Registered	2015-06-17
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

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Activities

Purposes: The objects of the Company are to promote good community relations between and for the benefit of the inhabitants of the District of Craigavon and surrounding areas (herein after called the "area of benefit") without distinction of age, gender, sexual orientation, disability/ability, race, political, religious or other opinion; by associating the statutory authorities, voluntary organisations and the inhabitants in a common effort to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for education, recreation or other leisure-time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants and in particular: (a) to hold an annual community festival providing for the exhibition of traditional rural crafts and vintage agricultural machinery, equestrian events, music, family entertainment and other facilities in the interests of social welfare as the Directors may from time to time determine.

What the charity does: The advancement of education, The advancement of citizenship or community development, The advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science

How the charity works: Community development, Cross-border/cross-community, Heritage/historical, Volunteer development

Who the charity helps: Ethnic minorities, General public, Interface communities, Voluntary and community sector

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-09-30	£29,656	£29,072	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
John Wilson		
Mr Bernard Francis (Bryan) Mclaughlin		
Mr Thomas Eamonn Fleming		

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Accounts

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER – NIC 102271

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER – NI074062

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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<i>Secretary</i>	Mr B F McLaughlin
<i>Independent Examiner</i>	WHR Accountants Ltd Chartered Certified Accountants Statutory Auditors 56 English Street Armagh Co Armagh BT61 7LG
<i>Bankers</i>	Danske Bank 45 High Street Portadown Co Armagh BT62 1LB

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Citizens able to work together at the same level with professional civic officers regularly report to CCTT directors that such interceptions permit community activists the opportunity to learn how civic action is created and managed. The converse also applies. Council Officers report that working with community teams affords some excellent opportunities to observe, at first hand, the desires and priorities of local communities.

The three-way spirit of support and co-operation between the town's commercial sector, its civic management and its communities can be further evidenced by the spirit of goodwill that is engendered by Country Comes To Town through the positive manner that charities and church groups report that they are received on the stands and pitches that the festival organisers provide for them.

Is there harm?

It is highly unlikely that the positive nature of these purposes would be likely to create harm.

Beneficiaries

The beneficiaries of the purposes of Country Comes To Town are, primarily, the groups and individuals from all over Ireland and further afield, who attend the festival as visitors, traders and entertainers. The longer-term benefits of the festival lie in the closer relationships that involvement in CCTT participation brings to broadening the cross-community friendship bonds that are thus created.

Private Benefit

Arising from the very large numbers of people attending Country Comes To Town, there are private financial benefits that accrue to both temporary street traders and resident retailers - through increased trade in the town. However, this is incidental to the main purposes of holding this festival in order to enhance the quality of the town's community relations. The CCTT directors are all volunteers and accrue no financial benefits.

Financial Review

It is the policy of the charity to maintain restricted reserves which match the needs of the trust, both at the current time and for the foreseeable future. This provides sufficient funds to cover running costs which include management, administration, and support costs. Restricted reserves must be spent in accordance with the donor's wishes.

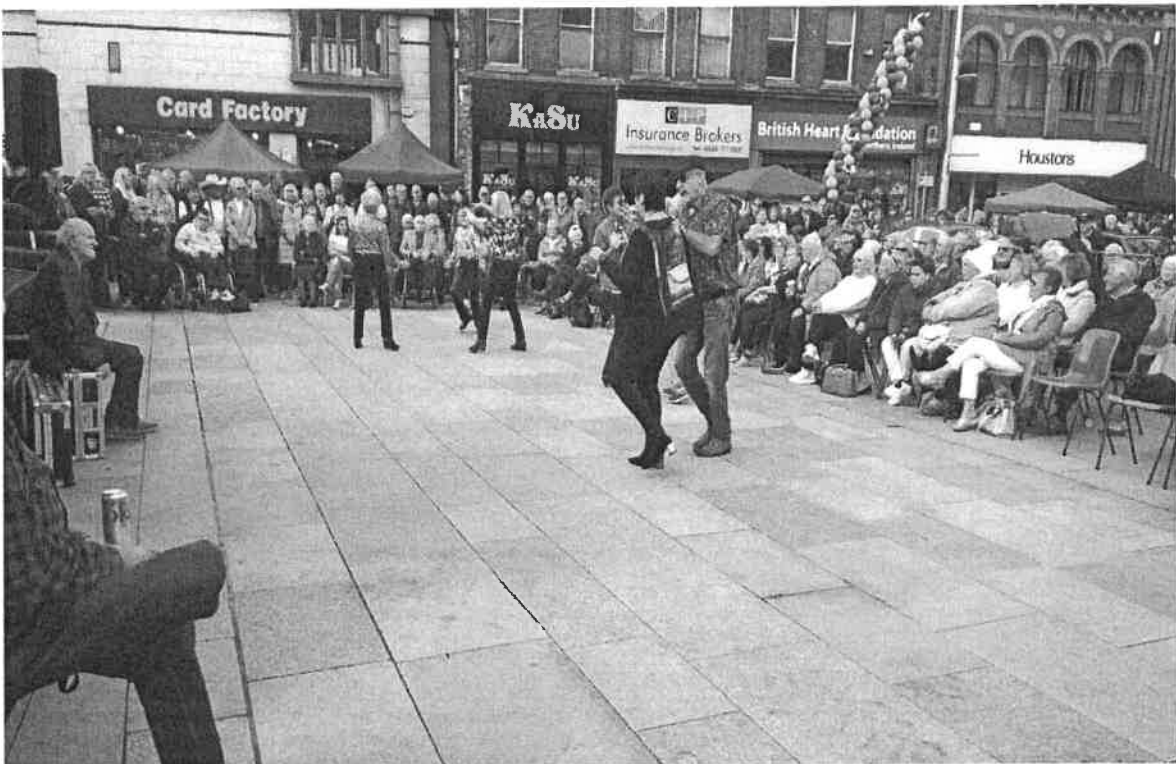
Plans for Future Periods

It is the intention of Country Comes To Town to further enhance the experience for visitors to the Festival by enlarging the programme on the day of the festival. The management team is always looking for more diverse exhibitors and entertainers. In 2025, the team will be extending the events by expanding the already broad range of farm and exotic animals that are available for youngsters and adults to 'meet and greet'. This Festival is vitally important for the social cohesion, community well-being, and the economic benefits of The Greater Portadown Area.

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Photos from the Festival



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Responsibilities of the Trustees

The trustees [who are also the directors of Country Comes To Town for the purposes of company law] are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual Report 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 these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The trustees 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.

Independent Examiner

WHR ACCOUNTANTS LTD has been re-appointed as independent examiner for the ensuing year.

NEW Registered Office

COUNTRY COMES TO TOWN
TADA Rural Support Network
Carn Industrial Estate
CRAIGAVON
Co Armagh

Signed by order of the trustees



B F McLaughlin
Company Secretary

23 May 2025

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNTRY COMES TO TOWN
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

We report on the Accounts of the Charity for the Year Ended 30 September 2024 set out on page 15.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner

The charity's trustees [who are also the directors of Country Comes To Town for the purposes of company law] are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. Having satisfied ourselves that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is our responsibility to state – on the basis of our examination – whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

Our 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 seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view'.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

- 1 which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that :
 - proper books of account are kept [in accordance with Section 386 of the Companies act 2006];
- and*
 - accounts are prepared which agree with the books of account and comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice : Accounting and Reporting by Charities;
- or*
- 2 to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



WHR Accountants Ltd
Independent Examiner
56 English Street , Armagh, BT61 7LG

23 May 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	Notes	Year Ended 30 9 24 Total Funds £	Year Ended 30 9 23 Total Funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Incoming resources from charitable activities	2	<u>29,665</u>	<u>31,405</u>
Total Incoming Resources		<u>29,665</u>	<u>31,405</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Charitable activities	3 / 4	28,364	21,644
Governance costs		<u>708</u>	<u>600</u>
Total Resources Expended		<u>29,072</u>	<u>22,304</u>
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR		<u>593</u>	<u>9,101</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total Funds brought forward		15,528	6,427
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>16,121</u>	<u>15,528</u>

The Notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	Notes	Year Ended 30 9 24 <u>Total Funds</u> £	Year Ended 30 9 23 <u>Total Funds</u> £
FIXED ASSETS	5		
Tangible Assets		252	252
CURRENT ASSETS	6		
Debtors		-	-
Cash at Bank		<u>25,083</u>	<u>18,455</u>
		<u>25,083</u>	<u>18,455</u>
CREDITORS	7		
Amounts falling due within one year		9,189	3,179
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>15,894</u>	<u>15,276</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		16,121	15,528
NET ASSETS		<u>16,121</u>	<u>15,528</u>
FUNDS	8		
Restricted Funds		16,121	15,528
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>16,121</u>	<u>15,528</u>

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continued Balance Sheet - At 30 September 2024

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under Article 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 30 September 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2024, in accordance with Article 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

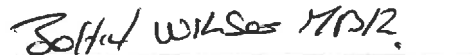
The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for :

- a. Ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which 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 company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficient 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 company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 23 May 2025,
and were signed on its behalf by:


B F McLaughlin – Trustee


J H Wilson – Trustee

The Notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting Convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provision of Section 1A "Small Entities" of Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Companies Act 2006.

These financial Statements have been prepared under the Historical Cost Convention.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources Expended

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.
Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rate in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life :
Fixtures and Fittings - 10% on reducing balance.

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2. INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Year Ended 30 9 24 Total Funds	£	Year Ended 30 9 23 Total Funds	£
Grants – ACB & CB Council	14,850		14,550	
Pitch Licence Fees	13,400		15,475	
Sponsorship & Donations	1,415		1,380	
	<u>29,665</u>		<u>31,405</u>	

3. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY FUND TYPE

	Year Ended 30 9 24 Total Funds	£	Year Ended 30 9 23 Total Funds	£
Annual Festival	<u>29,072</u>		<u>22,304</u>	

4. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY ACTIVITY TYPE

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5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures & Fittings	£	Total	£
COST				
At 1 10 23	444		444	
Additions	-		-	
At 30 9 24	444		444	
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 10 23	192		192	
Charge for Year	25		25	
	217		217	
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 30 9 24	227		227	
At 30 9 23	252		252	

5(a). TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration nor other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2024 or for the year ended 30 September 2023.

6. DEBTORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Year Ended 30 9 24	Year Ended 30 9 23
	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Trade Debtors	-	-
Other Debtors	-	-
	-	-

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7. CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Year Ended 30 9 24 Total Funds	£	Year Ended 30 9 23 Total Funds	£
Trade Creditors		8,589		2,579
Other Creditors		-		-
Accruals		600		600
		9,189		3,179

8. RESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS

	Balance at 30 9 2023 £	Incoming Resources £	Balance at 30 9 2024 £
Restricted Funds	15,528	593	16,121

9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No transactions with related parties were undertaken such as are required to be disclosed under Financial Reporting Standard 8.

10. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

On a winding-up, members may be required to contribute a maximum of £1.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	<u>Year to 30 9 24</u>	<u>Year to 30 9 23</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</u>		
Grants, Sponsorship, Donations and Stall-holder fees	29,665	31,405
<u>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</u>	<u>29,655</u>	<u>31,405</u>
 <u>RESOURCES EXPENDED CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</u>		
Advertising	3,789	4,298
ACB&CB Council Pitch fees & Park Hire	611	332
Security and First Aid	3,180	2,051
Traffic Management	1,187	1,139
Events and Entertainment	15,627	9,655
Travel expenses	612	648
Printing, Stationery and Postage	1,043	1,187
Insurance	1,160	1,160
Telephone	400	324
Set Up and Clean Up	-	311
Pitch Fee Refund	265	110
Sundry Expenses	161	-
Professional Fees – Survey	170	220
Bank fees	134	181
Depreciation of Fixtures and Equipment	25	25
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 <u>GOVERNANCE COSTS</u>		
Accountancy fees	708	660
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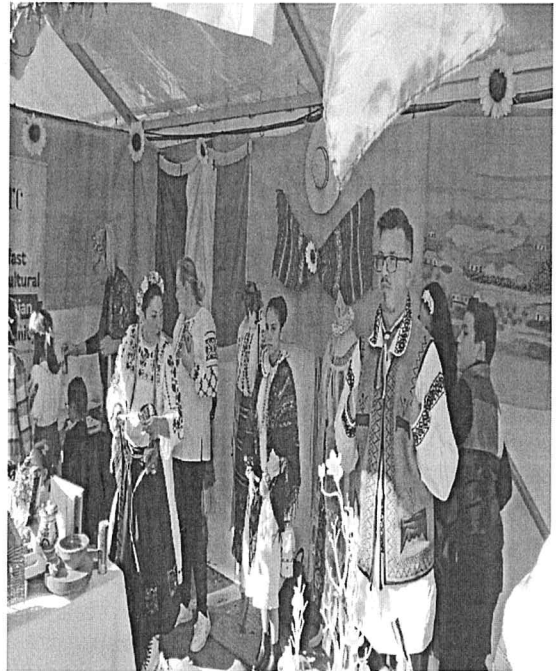
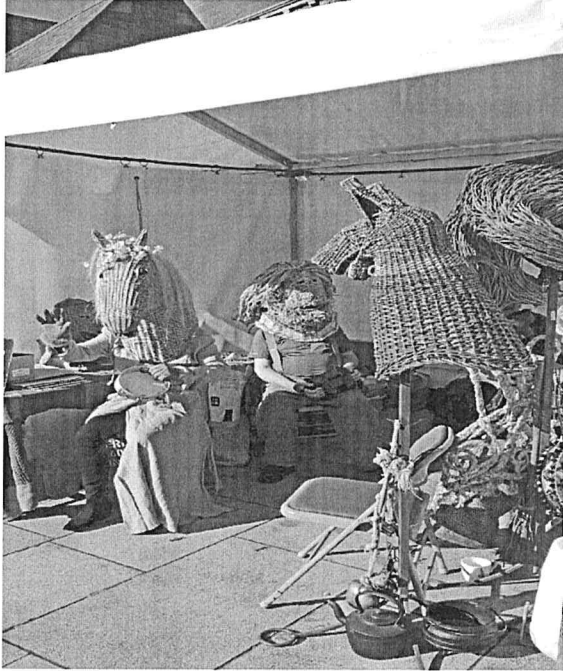
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14 June 2024

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Country Comes To Town
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

		<u>Year Ended 30 9 23</u>	<u>Year Ended 30 9 22</u>
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Governance costs		660	600
Total Resources Expended		<u>22,304</u>	<u>30,756</u>
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR		<u>9,101</u>	<u>(5,866)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total Funds brought forward		6,427	12,293
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>15,528</u>	<u>6,427</u>

The Notes form part of these financial statements

Country Comes To Town
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BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

	Notes	Year Ended 30 9 23 <u>Total Funds</u> £	Year Ended 30 9 22 <u>Total Funds</u> £
FIXED ASSETS	5		
Tangible Assets		252	280
CURRENT ASSETS	6		
Debtors		-	1,230
Cash at Bank		<u>18,455</u>	<u>28,419</u>
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CREDITORS	7		
Amounts falling due within one year		3,179	23,502
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>15,276</u>	<u>6,147</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		15,528	6,427
NET ASSETS		<u>15,528</u>	<u>6,427</u>
FUNDS	8		
Restricted Funds		15,528	6,427
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>15,528</u>	<u>6,427</u>

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continued Balance Sheet - At 30 September 2023

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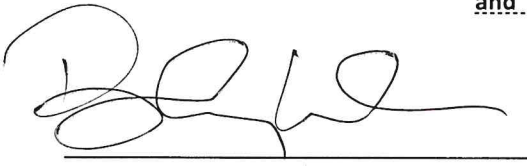
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The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for :

- a. Ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which 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 company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficient 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 company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 14 June 2024,
and were signed on its behalf by:



B F McLaughlin – Trustee



J H Wilson – Trustee

The Notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting Convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provision of Section 1A “Small Entities” of Financial Reporting Standard 102 “The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland” and the Companies Act 2006.

These financial Statements have been prepared under the Historical Cost Convention.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources Expended

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. Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rate in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life :

Fixtures and Fittings - 10% on reducing balance.

Country Comes To Town
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Continued **NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

2. INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Year Ended 30 9 23	Year Ended 30 9 22
	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Grants – ACB & CB Council	14,550	11,250
Pitch Licence Fees	15,475	12,460
Sponsorship & Donations	1,380	1,180
	<u>31,405</u>	<u>24,890</u>

3. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY FUND TYPE

	Year Ended 30 9 23	Year Ended 30 9 22
	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Annual Festival	<u>22,304</u>	<u>30,756</u>

4. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY ACTIVITY TYPE

	Year Ended 30 9 23	Year Ended 30 9 22
	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Annual Festival	<u>22,304</u>	<u>30,756</u>

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures & Fittings £	Total £
<i>COST</i>		
At 1 10 22	444	444
Additions	-	-
At 30 9 23	444	444
<i>DEPRECIATION</i>		
At 1 10 22	164	164
Charge for Year	28	28
	164	164
<i>NET BOOK VALUE</i>		
At 30 9 23	252	252
At 30 9 22	280	280

5(a). TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration nor other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2023 or for the year ended 30 September 2022.

6. DEBTORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Year Ended 30 9 23	Year Ended 30 9 22
	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
Trade Debtors	-	1,230
Other Debtors	-	-
	-	1,230

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Continued **NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

7. CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Year Ended 30 9 23	Year Ended 30 9 22
	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Trade Creditors	2,579	22,902
Other Creditors	-	-
Accruals	600	600
	<u>3,179</u>	<u>23,502</u>

8. RESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS

	Balance at 30 9 2022	Incoming Resources	Balance at 30 9 2023
	£	£	£
Restricted Funds	6,427	9,101	15,528

9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No transactions with related parties were undertaken such as are required to be disclosed under Financial Reporting Standard 8.

10. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

On a winding-up, members may be required to contribute a maximum of £1.

Country Comes To Town
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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

	<u>Year to 30 9 23</u>	<u>Year to 30 9 22</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</u>		
Grants, Sponsorship, Donations and Stall-holder fees	31,405	24,890
<u>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</u>	<u>31,405</u>	<u>24,890</u>
 <u>RESOURCES EXPENDED CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</u>		
Advertising	4,298	5,948
Marquee Hire	-	4,368
ACB&CB Council Pitch fees	332	325
Security and First Aid	2,051	2,951
Traffic Management	1,139	1,218
Events and Entertainment	9,655	10,410
Travel expenses	648	1,257
Printing, Stationery and Postage	1,187	1,045
Insurance	1,160	1,155
Telephone	324	395
Park Repairs	-	-
Set Up and Clean Up	311	200
Pitch Fee Refund	110	675
Sundry Expenses	-	109
Professional Fees – Survey	220	-
Bank fees	181	69
Depreciation of Fixtures and Equipment	28	31
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Country Comes To Town

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102271

Annual report

Country Comes To Town

(COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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Country Comes To Town
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<i>Independent Examiner</i>	WHR Accountants Ltd Chartered Certified Accountants Statutory Auditors 56 English Street Armagh Co Armagh BT61 7LG
<i>Bankers</i>	Danske Bank 45 High Street Portadown Co Armagh BT62 1LB

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

The trustees, who are also directors for the purposes of company law, have pleasure in presenting their report and the audited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2024.

Reference and Administrative Details

Reference and administrative details are shown in the schedule of members of the board and professional advisers, officers and professional advisers on page 1 of the financial statements.

The Trustees

The trustees who served the company during the period were as follows:

Mr B F McLaughlin
Mr T E Fleming
Mrs A M Culbert
Mr J H Wilson MBE

Structure, Governance and Management

The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice [SORP] "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in 2005 in preparing the report and financial statements of the charity. They have also had regard for any other information required by law or the charity's governing document.

Governing Document

Country Comes to town is constituted as a charity under a trust deed dated 30 September 2010 and is recognised as a charity by HM Revenue & Customs (reference number NI074062), and The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland (Reference Number NIC 102271).

Objectives and Activities

The objectives and principal activities of the charity are to promote good community relationships and social cohesion between the different communities, both ethnic and local, and to attract visitors from all ages and backgrounds into the town of Portadown. Thereby benefiting all the inhabitants of Craigavon District and surrounding areas by holding an annual community festival, celebrating rural life and activity, past and present.

Continued TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

Achievements and Performance

Established since 1999, as Portadown's only major outdoor cross-community festival, last years event attracted in excess of 30,000 visitors into the town centre on 15 September 2023. The event, as usual, ran smoothly, due to extensive pre-planning and working in partnership with statutory agencies such as ABC Borough Council, PSNI, Translink, Roads Service etc. And the co-operation of town centre traders was also invaluable; along with the financial support they provided. The event organisers were pleased to host a group of representatives from the Ballina Salmon Festival in Co. Mayo; a group with which Country Comes To Town has had long-established links.

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Public Benefit

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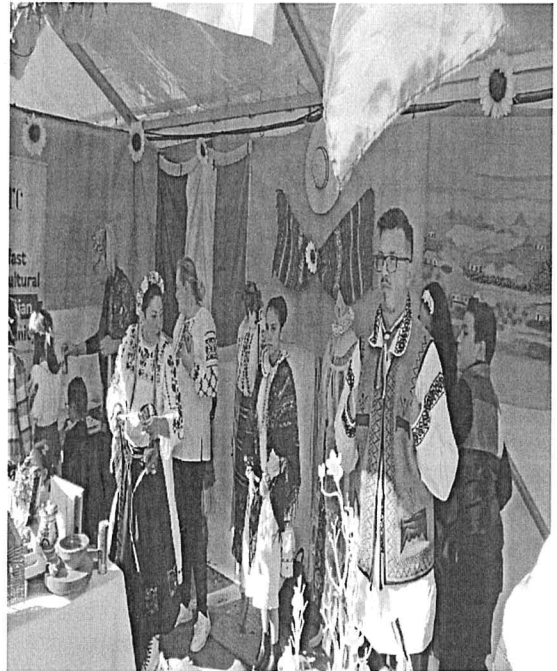
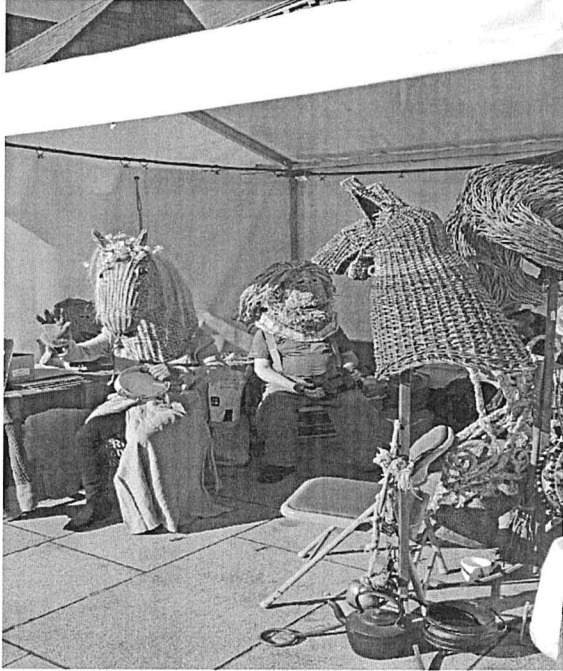
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NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR		<u>9,101</u>	<u>(5,866)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total Funds brought forward		6,427	12,293
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>15,528</u>	<u>6,427</u>

The Notes form part of these financial statements

Country Comes To Town
[Company Limited By Guarantee]

BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

	Notes	Year Ended 30 9 23 <u>Total Funds</u> £	Year Ended 30 9 22 <u>Total Funds</u> £
FIXED ASSETS	5		
Tangible Assets		252	280
CURRENT ASSETS	6		
Debtors		-	1,230
Cash at Bank		<u>18,455</u>	<u>28,419</u>
		<u>18,455</u>	<u>29,646</u>
CREDITORS	7		
Amounts falling due within one year		3,179	23,502
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>15,276</u>	<u>6,147</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		15,528	6,427
NET ASSETS		<u>15,528</u>	<u>6,427</u>
FUNDS	8		
Restricted Funds		15,528	6,427
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>15,528</u>	<u>6,427</u>

The Notes form part of these financial statements

Country Comes To Town
[Company Limited By Guarantee]

continued Balance Sheet - At 30 September 2023

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under Article 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 30 September 2023.

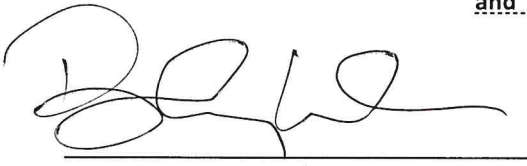
The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2023, in accordance with Article 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for :

- a. Ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which 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 company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficient 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 company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 14 June 2024,
and were signed on its behalf by:



B F McLaughlin – Trustee



J H Wilson – Trustee

The Notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting Convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provision of Section 1A “Small Entities” of Financial Reporting Standard 102 “The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland” and the Companies Act 2006.

These financial Statements have been prepared under the Historical Cost Convention.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources Expended

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. Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rate in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life :

Fixtures and Fittings - 10% on reducing balance.

Country Comes To Town
[Company Limited By Guarantee]

Continued **NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

2. INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Year Ended 30 9 23	Year Ended 30 9 22
	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Grants – ACB & CB Council	14,550	11,250
Pitch Licence Fees	15,475	12,460
Sponsorship & Donations	1,380	1,180
	<u>31,405</u>	<u>24,890</u>

3. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY FUND TYPE

	Year Ended 30 9 23	Year Ended 30 9 22
	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Annual Festival	<u>22,304</u>	<u>30,756</u>

4. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY ACTIVITY TYPE

	Year Ended 30 9 23	Year Ended 30 9 22
	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Annual Festival	<u>22,304</u>	<u>30,756</u>

Country Comes To Town
[Company Limited By Guarantee]

Continued **NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures & Fittings £	Total £
<i>COST</i>		
At 1 10 22	444	444
Additions	-	-
At 30 9 23	444	444
<i>DEPRECIATION</i>		
At 1 10 22	164	164
Charge for Year	28	28
	164	164
<i>NET BOOK VALUE</i>		
At 30 9 23	252	252
At 30 9 22	280	280

5(a).TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration nor other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2023 or for the year ended 30 September 2022.

6. DEBTORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Year Ended 30 9 23 Total Funds £	Year Ended 30 9 22 Total Funds £
Trade Debtors	-	1,230
Other Debtors	-	-
	-	1,230

Country Comes To Town
[Company Limited By Guarantee]

Continued **NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

7. CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Year Ended 30 9 23	Year Ended 30 9 22
	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Trade Creditors	2,579	22,902
Other Creditors	-	-
Accruals	600	600
	<u>3,179</u>	<u>23,502</u>

8. RESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS

	Balance at 30 9 2022	Incoming Resources	Balance at 30 9 2023
	£	£	£
Restricted Funds	6,427	9,101	15,528

9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No transactions with related parties were undertaken such as are required to be disclosed under Financial Reporting Standard 8.

10. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

On a winding-up, members may be required to contribute a maximum of £1.

Country Comes To Town
[Company Limited By Guarantee]

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

	<u>Year to 30 9 23</u>	<u>Year to 30 9 22</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</u>		
Grants, Sponsorship, Donations and Stall-holder fees	31,405	24,890
<u>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</u>	<u>31,405</u>	<u>24,890</u>
 <u>RESOURCES EXPENDED CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</u>		
Advertising	4,298	5,948
Marquee Hire	-	4,368
ACB&CB Council Pitch fees	332	325
Security and First Aid	2,051	2,951
Traffic Management	1,139	1,218
Events and Entertainment	9,655	10,410
Travel expenses	648	1,257
Printing, Stationery and Postage	1,187	1,045
Insurance	1,160	1,155
Telephone	324	395
Park Repairs	-	-
Set Up and Clean Up	311	200
Pitch Fee Refund	110	675
Sundry Expenses	-	109
Professional Fees – Survey	220	-
Bank fees	181	69
Depreciation of Fixtures and Equipment	28	31
	<u>21,644</u>	<u>30,156</u>
 <u>GOVERNANCE COSTS</u>		
Accountancy fees	660	600
<u>TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>	<u>22,304</u>	<u>30,756</u>
 <u>NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR</u>	 <u>9,101</u>	 <u>(5,866)</u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements

Country Comes To Town

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102271

Annual return

Report of the Directors and

Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2023

for

COUNTRY COMES TO TOWN

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for the Year Ended 30 September 2023

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COUNTRY COMES TO TOWN

Company Information
for the Year Ended 30 September 2023

DIRECTORS:	BF McLaughlin TE Fleming Mrs AM Culbert JH Wilson
SECRETARY:	BF McLaughlin
REGISTERED OFFICE:	TADA Rural Support Network Carn Industrial Estate Craigavon Co. Armagh
REGISTERED NUMBER:	NI074062 (Northern Ireland)
ACCOUNTANTS:	WHR Accountants Ltd Chartered Certified Accountants Statutory Auditors 56 English Street Armagh Co. Armagh BT61 7LG
BANKERS:	Danske Bank Business Banking PO Box 183 Donegall Square West Belfast BT1 6JS

COUNTRY COMES TO TOWN (Registered number: NI074062)

Report of the Directors
for the Year Ended 30 September 2023

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 30 September 2023.

DIRECTORS

The directors shown below have held office during the whole of the period from 1 October 2022 to the date of this report.

BF McLaughlin
TE Fleming
Mrs AM Culbert
JH Wilson

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'BF McLaughlin', with a large, stylized initial 'B' and a trailing flourish.

BF McLaughlin - Secretary

14 June 2024

COUNTRY COMES TO TOWN

Report of the Accountants to the Directors of
COUNTRY COMES TO TOWN

As described on the Balance Sheet you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2023 set out on pages four to seven and you consider that the company is exempt from an audit.

In accordance with your instructions, we have compiled these unaudited financial statements in order to assist you to fulfil your statutory responsibilities, from the accounting records and information and explanations supplied to us.



WHR Accountants Ltd
Chartered Certified Accountants
Statutory Auditors
56 English Street
Armagh
Co. Armagh
BT61 7LG

14 June 2024

COUNTRY COMES TO TOWN (Registered number: NI074062)

Income Statement
for the Year Ended 30 September 2023

	Notes	30.9.23 £	30.9.22 £
TURNOVER		31,405	24,890
Administrative expenses		<u>22,304</u>	<u>30,756</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) and SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) BEFORE TAXATION		9,101	(5,866)
Tax on surplus/(deficit)		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		<u><u>9,101</u></u>	<u><u>(5,866)</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

Balance Sheet

30 September 2023

	Notes	30.9.23 £	£	30.9.22 £	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5		252		280
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	-		1,230	
Cash at bank		18,455		28,419	
		<u>18,455</u>		<u>29,649</u>	
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	3,179		23,502	
		<u>3,179</u>		<u>23,502</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			15,276		6,147
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			<u>15,528</u>		<u>6,427</u>
RESERVES					
Income and expenditure account			15,528		6,427
			<u>15,528</u>		<u>6,427</u>

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 September 2023.


The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which 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 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 company.

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 14 June 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:



BF McLaughlin - Director

JOHY WILSON MBR

JH Wilson - Director

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 30 September 2023

1. **STATUTORY INFORMATION**

COUNTRY COMES TO TOWN is a private company, limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

2. **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Basis of preparing the financial statements

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" including the provisions of Section 1A "Small Entities" and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Turnover

Turnover represents income from grant providers, pitch licence fees and sponsorship.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings - 10% on reducing balance

Taxation

Taxation for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the Income Statement, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Current or deferred taxation assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Current tax is recognised at the amount of tax payable using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date.

Timing differences arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in financial statements. Deferred tax is measured using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the year end and that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

3. **EMPLOYEES AND DIRECTORS**

The average number of employees during the year was NIL (2022 - NIL).

4. **OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)**

The operating surplus (2022 - operating deficit) is stated after charging:

	30.9.23	30.9.22
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	28	31

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 30 September 2023

5. **TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Fixtures and fittings £
COST	
At 1 October 2022 and 30 September 2023	444
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 October 2022	164
Charge for year	28
At 30 September 2023	192
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 30 September 2023	252
At 30 September 2022	280

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

	30.9.23	30.9.22
	£	£
Trade debtors	-	1,230

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

	30.9.23	30.9.22
	£	£
Trade creditors	2,579	22,902
Accrued expenses	600	600

Detailed Income and Expenditure Account
for the Year Ended 30 September 2023

	30.9.23		30.9.22	
	£	£	£	£
Turnover				
Grants - ACB&CB Council	14,550		11,250	
Pitch licence fees	15,475		12,460	
Sponsorship & Donations	1,380		1,180	
	<u> </u>	31,405	<u> </u>	24,890
Expenditure				
Insurance	1,160		1,155	
Set Up & Clean Up Event	311		200	
Telephone	324		395	
Post and stationery	1,187		1,045	
Advertising	4,298		5,948	
Travelling	648		1,257	
Pitch Refund	110		675	
Traffic management	1,139		1,218	
Sundry expenses	-		109	
Marquee hire	-		4,368	
ACB&CB Council pitch fees	332		325	
Accountancy	660		600	
Security & First Aid	2,051		2,951	
Events & entertainment	9,655		10,410	
Professional Fees	220		-	
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets				
Fixtures and fittings	28		31	
	<u> </u>	22,123	<u> </u>	30,687
		9,282		(5,797)
Finance costs				
Bank charges		181		69
		<u> </u>		<u> </u>
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		<u> </u>		<u> </u>
		9,101		(5,866)

Country Comes To Town

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102271

Accounts

Country Comes To Town

(COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER – NIC 102271

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER – NI074062

From: Bryan McLaughlin bryanmcl48@live.co.uk
Subject: Country Comes To Town
Date: 12 Jun 2021 at 22:56:48
To: Gary Henderson gary.henderson@whraccountants.co.uk

Gary

As promised, please see below a short amendment to the Annual Report

Regards

Bryan

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Achievements and Performance

Now we'll established as Portadown's only major outdoor annual cross-community festival, the event in 2020 was, unfortunately, cancelled as a result of Covid 19 regulations. Understandable because this festival has a reputation for attracting enormous crowds of visitors; frequently exceeding 30,000+ people. There was no possibility of modifying the event to reduce numbers attending and introducing social distancing.

Country Comes To Town is a public event with no entry fee and occupies the entire centre of Portadown which has 9 major entry routes and at least 15 minor means of access.

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Continued TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020**

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**MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS OFFICERS
AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS**

Registered charity name Country Comes to Town

Charity number NIC 102271

Company registration number NI074062

Principal office Millennium Court Arts Centre
William Street
Portadown
Co Armagh BT62 5NX

Registered office Millennium Court Arts Centre
William Street
Portadown
Co Armagh BT62 5NX

Trustees Mr B F McLaughlin
Mr T E Fleming
Mrs A M Culbert
Mr J H Wilson

Secretary Mr B F McLaughlin

Independent Examiner WHR Accountants Ltd
Chartered Certified Accountants
Statutory Auditors
56 English Street
Armagh
Co Armagh BT61 7LG

Bankers Danske Bank
45 High Street
Portadown
Co Armagh BT62 1LB

**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020**

The trustees, who are also directors for the purposes of company law, have pleasure in presenting their report and the audited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2020.

Reference and Administrative Details

Reference and administrative details are shown in the schedule of members of the board and professional advisers officers and professional advisers on page 1 of the financial statements.

The Trustees

The trustees who served the company during the period were as follows:

Mr B F McLaughlin
Mr T E Fleming
Mrs A M Culbert
Mr J H Wilson MBE

Structure, Governance and Management

The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice [SORP] "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in 2005 in preparing the report and financial statements of the charity. They have also had regard for any other information required by law or the charity's governing document.

Governing Document

Country Comes to town is constituted as a charity under a trust deed dated 30 September 2010 and is recognised as a charity by HM

Revenue & Customs (reference number NI074062), and The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland (Reference Number NIC 102271).

Objectives and Activities

The objectives and principal activities of the charity are to promote good community relations and social cohesion between the different communities, both ethnic and local, and to attract visitors from all backgrounds into the town, thereby benefiting all the inhabitants of the District of Craigavon and surrounding areas by holding an annual community festival, celebrating rural life and activity, past and present.

Achievements and Performance

Now well established as Portadown's only major outdoor Annual Cross-Community Festival, last year's event attracted a crowd in excess of 40,000 into the town centre on the main day. The event, as usual, ran smoothly, due to extensive pre-planning and working in partnership with statutory agencies, such as ACBC Borough Council, PSNI, Roads Service, etc, and the co-operation of town centre traders was also invaluable as was financial sponsorship from same. The support and visits from residents of Portadown's twin town, Ballina Co Mayo, was also appreciated, and the Annual Festival helps to further strengthen the links between both areas, building friendships and mutual understanding, and the reciprocal attendance by Festival Committee members at Ballina's Annual Salmon Festival.

As with any outdoor event, the weather plays a significant role in the events taking place. On the Festival Saturday in 2019, we were very fortunate that the weather remained fine for us.

Continued TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

Feedback, afterwards, from participating groups and individuals representing communities on the various sides of Portadown's religious and political divide, confirmed that there had been a great deal more interaction and joint action between them than in earlier years, demonstrating that the Festival does indeed contribute to increased community outreach in a still-fractured society. It is clear, when speaking to local community group throughout the years, that Country Comes To Town has become a recognised opportunity for them to engage in cooperative cultural integration.

Cross-border visitor numbers also appear to have increased with both stewards and the security team commenting on the frequency with which they had contact with individuals and families from Counties Sligo, Mayo, Roscommon, Leitrim, Cavan, Monaghan, Donegal and Dublin. Many of these visiting individuals are linked to church groups in their native counties and, through the assistance of the CCTT team, they have developed contacts and friendships with like-minded church people in the Greater Portadown area. In 2019, we were also delighted to welcome two coach loads of visitors from Scottish community groups and one coach from London.

Once again, in 2019, a number of migrant groups have expressed their pleasure and enjoyment at being invited to participate in Country Comes To Town. They welcome the opportunity to demonstrate their pride in their various cultures through their demonstrations of ethnic foods, music and dance. They also expressed the increased feelings of integration afforded by the opportunity to meet large numbers of townspeople and visitors.

Again this year, prior to this year's Festival, teachers from both the primary and secondary sectors had approached the trustees to ascertain what craft exhibits and living history demonstrations were planned for 2019; in order that they might relate them to various areas of their curricula. In 2019 the craft exhibits were, in fact, almost doubled in number with a whole variety of new "old" skills being exhibited. Just some of these included woodturning, macramé, thatching, bog oak carving, saddle manufacture, blacksmithing, curragh making, ceramics, candle making and straw craft. Subsequent reports from these individuals expressed their praise and thanks to the Festival for providing what were often unique practical and visual demonstrations from which their young pupils learnt a great deal about lifestyle and culture in earlier times.

Country Music

Country music is an entertainment form which brings together a wide range of individuals and communities within the island of Ireland and it remains part of the bedrock of Portadown's Country Comes to Town. In 2019, we were very fortunate indeed to obtain the services, on a voluntary basis, of one of the country's most popular singers, Mr Daniel O'Donnell. That someone with the status of Daniel would offer to participate voluntarily in our Festival is an indication of the respect that Country Comes to Town is held in country music circles.

Financial Review

It is the policy of the charity to maintain restricted reserves which matches the needs of the trust, both at the current time and the foreseeable future. This provides sufficient funds to cover running costs which include management, administration and support costs. Restricted reserves must be spent in accordance with the donor's wishes.

Plans for Future Periods

It is the intention of Country Comes To Town to further enhance the experience for visitors to the Festival by enlarging the programme on the day [the committee is always looking for more diverse exhibitors] and also by extending the events in the week leading up to the main Saturday, to include Country Music, etc. The Festival is vitally important for the social cohesion, community well-being, and the economic benefits derived for the entire community, enlisting the support of as many people as possible.

Responsibilities of the Trustees

The trustees [who are also the directors of Country Comes To Town for the purposes of company law] are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards [United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice].

Continued TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

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 these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The trustees 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.

Independent Examiner

WHR ACCOUNTANTS LTD has been re-appointed as independent examiner for the ensuing year.

Registered Office

Millennium Court Arts Centre
William Street
Portadown
Co Armagh BT62 5NX.

Signed by order of the trustees

B F McLaughlin
Company Secretary

21 May 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNTRY COMES TO TOWN
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

We report on the accounts of the charity for the Year Ended 30 September 2020 set out on page 15.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner

The charity's trustees [who are also the directors of Country Comes To Town for the purposes of company law] are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. Having satisfied ourselves that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is our responsibility to state – on the basis of our examination – whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

Our 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 seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view'.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

1 which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that :

- and*
- proper books of account are kept [in accordance with Section 386 of the Companies act 2006];
 - accounts are prepared which agree with the books of account and comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice : Accounting and Reporting by Charities;

or

2 to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

WHR Accountants Ltd
Independent Examiner
56 English Street , Armagh, BT61 7LG

21 May 2021

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

<u>Year Ended 30 9 20</u>	<u>Year Ended 30 9 19</u>
<u>Total Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
£	£

Notes

INCOMING RESOURCES

Incoming resources from charitable activities	2	=	<u>28,959</u>
Total Incoming Resources		=	<u>28,959</u>

RESOURCES EXPENDED

Charitable activities	3 / 4	7,432	33,416
Governance costs		<u>600</u>	<u>590</u>
Total Resources Expended		<u>8,032</u>	<u>34,006</u>

NET (OUTGOING) / INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

	<u>(8,032)</u>	<u>(5,047)</u>
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RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS

Total Funds brought forward	22,173	27,220
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TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>14,141</u>	<u>22,173</u>
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The Notes form part of these financial statements

BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

		Year Ended 30 9 20	Year Ended 30 9 19
		<u>Total Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
		£	£
	Notes		
FIXED ASSETS	5		
Tangible Assets		345	383
CURRENT ASSETS	6		
Debtors		-	6,479
Cash at Bank		<u>14,622</u>	<u>34,222</u>
		<u>14,622</u>	<u>40,701</u>
CREDITORS	7		
Amounts falling due within one year		826	18,911

NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>13,796</u>	21,790
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		14,141	22,173
NET ASSETS		<u>14,141</u>	<u>22,173</u>
FUNDS	8		
Restricted Funds		14,141	22,173
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>14,141</u>	<u>22,173</u>

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continued Balance Sheet - At 30 September 2020

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under Article 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 30 September 2020.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2020, in accordance with Article 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for :

- a. Ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which 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 company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficient 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 company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 21 May 2021,
and were signed on its behalf by:

B F McLaughlin – Trustee
– Trustee

J H Wilson

The Notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

1. **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Accounting Convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provision of Section 1A “Small Entities” of Financial Reporting Standard 102 “The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland” and the Companies Act 2006.

These financial Statements have been prepared under the Historical Cost Convention.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources Expended

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. Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rate in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life :
 Fixtures and Fittings - 10% on reducing balance.

Continued NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

2. INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Year Ended 30 9 20	Year Ended 30 9 19
	Total Funds	£ Total Funds £
Grants – ACB & CB Council	-	15,000
Pitch Licence Fees	-	12,905
Sponsorship	-	1,054
	-	28,959

3. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY FUND TYPE

	Year Ended 30 9 20	Year Ended 30 9 19
	Total Funds	£ Total Funds £
Annual Festival	8,032	34,006

4. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY ACTIVITY TYPE

	Year Ended 30 9 20	Year Ended 30 9 19
	Total Funds	£ Total Funds £
Annual Festival	8,032	34,006

Continued

**NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020**

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures & Fittings	£ Total	£
<i>COST</i>			
At 1 10 19	444	444	
Additions	-	-	
At 30 9 20	444	444	
<i>DEPRECIATION</i>			
At 1 10 19	61	61	
Charge for Year	38	38	
	99	99	
<i>NET BOOK VALUE</i>			
At 30 9 20	345	345	
At 30 9 19	383	383	

5(a). TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration nor other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2020 or for the year ended 30 September 2019.

6. DEBTORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Year Ended 30 9 20	Year Ended 30 9 19	Total
	Total Funds	Funds	Total
	£	£	£
Trade Debtors	-		6,479
Other Debtors	-		-
	-		6,479

Continued

**NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020**

7. CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Year Ended 30 9 20	Year Ended 30 9 19	Total
	Total Funds	Funds	Total
	£	£	£
Trade Creditors	226		18,321
Other Creditors	-		-
Accruals	600		590
	826		18,911

8. RESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS

	Balance at 30 9 2019	Incoming Resources	Balance at 30 9 2020
	£	£	£
Restricted Funds	22,173	(8,031)	14,142

9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No transactions with related parties were undertaken such as are required to be disclosed under Financial Reporting Standard 8.

10. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

On a winding-up, members may be required to contribute a maximum of £1.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

	Year to 30 9 20	Year to 30 9 19
	£	£
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</u>		
Grants, Sponsorship, Donations and Stall-holder fees	-	28,959
<u>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</u>	-	28,959
<u>RESOURCES EXPENDED CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</u>		
Prizes	(15)	594
Advertising	46	9,021
Venue Hire	-	195
Marquee Hire	4,680	-
ACB&CB Council Pitch fees	-	345
Hire of mobile toilets and fencing	-	1,411
Security and Stewarding	-	1,716
Events and Entertainment	1,850	13,437
Travel expenses	267	1,211
Printing, Stationery and Postage	202	939
Insurance	-	2,744
Telephone	280	580
Traffic Management	-	1,091
Bank fees	84	89
Depreciation of Fixtures and Equipment	38	43
	7,432	33,416
<u>GOVERNANCE COSTS</u>		
Accountancy fees	600	590
<u>TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>	8,032	34,006
<u>NET (OUTGOING) / INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR</u>	<u>(8,032)</u>	<u>(5,047)</u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements

Country Comes To Town

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102271

Annual report

Country Comes To Town

(COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER – NIC 102271

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER – NI074062

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022**

Country Comes To Town
[Company Limited By Guarantee]

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Country Comes To Town
[Company Limited By Guarantee]

**MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS OFFICERS
AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS**

<i>Registered charity name</i>	Country Comes to Town
<i>Charity number</i>	NIC 102271
<i>Company registration number</i>	NI074062
<i>Principal office</i>	Millennium Court William Street Portadown Co Armagh BT62 3NX
<i>Registered office</i>	Millennium Court William Street Portadown Co Armagh BT62 3NX
<i>Trustees</i>	Mr B F McLaughlin Mr T E Fleming Mrs A M Culbert Mr J H Wilson
<i>Secretary</i>	Mr B F McLaughlin
<i>Independent Examiner</i>	WHR Accountants Ltd Chartered Certified Accountants Statutory Auditors 56 English Street Armagh Co Armagh BT61 7LG
<i>Bankers</i>	Danske Bank 45 High Street Portadown Co Armagh BT62 1LB

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

The trustees, who are also directors for the purposes of company law, have pleasure in presenting their report and the audited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2022.

Reference and Administrative Details

Reference and administrative details are shown in the schedule of members of the board and professional advisers officers and professional advisers on page 1 of the financial statements.

The Trustees

The trustees who served the company during the period were as follows:

Mr B F McLaughlin
Mr T E Fleming
Mrs A M Culbert
Mr J H Wilson MBE

Structure, Governance and Management

The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice [SORP] "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in 2005 in preparing the report and financial statements of the charity. They have also had regard for any other information required by law or the charity's governing document.

Governing Document

Country Comes to town is constituted as a charity under a trust deed dated 30 September 2010 and is recognised as a charity by HM Revenue & Customs (reference number NI074062), and The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland (Reference Number NIC 102271).

Objectives and Activities

The objectives and principal activities of the charity are to promote good community relationships and social cohesion between the different communities, both ethnic and local, and to attract visitors from all ages and backgrounds into the town of Portadown. Thereby benefiting all the inhabitants of Craigavon District and surrounding areas by holding an annual community festival, celebrating rural life and activity, past and present.

Continued TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

Achievements and Performance

Established since 1999, as Portadown's only major outdoor cross-community festival, last years event attracted in excess of 30,000 visitors into the town centre on 8th October. (Traditionally, CCTT takes place on the third Saturday in September; however, the death of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II in 2022 necessitated a date change.). The event, as usual, ran smoothly, due to extensive pre-planning and working in partnership with statutory agencies such as ABC Borough Council, PSNI, Translink, Roads Service etc. And the co-operation of town centre traders was also invaluable; along with the financial support they provided. The event organisers were pleased to host a group of representatives from the Ballina Salmon Festival in Co. Mayo; a group with which Country Comes To Town has had long-established links.

Subsequent analysis of the CCTT events activities revealed that approximately 50% of visitors came from the Greater Craigavon Area with around 20% from the town of Portadown itself. A further 30% of visitors were attracted from all other parts of N Ireland, with notable coachloads arriving from locations such as Ballymena, Omagh and Ards. The remainder were made up of visitors from ROI counties such as Donegal, Meath, Monaghan, Louth, Galway and Dublin. There were also coaches from Scotland and an 80 strong motorhome group from all over Ireland. One family actually travelled from Ontario in Canada!

Public Benefit

There are a number of public benefits that accrue from the CCTT festival. The first of these relates to the substantial amount of community co-operation and interaction that it engenders in what is still, even in 2022, a significantly fractured political society within Portadown. The second public benefit to arise is the close involvement of civic, commercial and community groups, working in unison to ensure the annual success of this very large event. A third benefit is drawn from the craft exhibits and living history demonstrations that are a feature of the Country Comes To town festival. These provide increased education and knowledge of history and culture for young people through artifacts, activities and demonstrations. These events also create points of stimulation and commentary from older visitors who may have grown up in an era when such activities as woodturning, blacksmithing, thatching, home butter-making and threshing were everyday events.

Demonstrating the Benefits

In Portadown and it's environs, there are still many communities and organisations that tend to restrict their activities to their own district; or to other like-minded groups with similar cultural or political backgrounds as their own. Groups encouraged to participate in CCTT are afforded opportunities to meet with others whose backgrounds and environments differ from their own. Feedback from such interactions indicates that individuals from such intermixing groups are more likely to reflect on the nature of their cultural, political and/or religious differences in a non- threatening and neutral environment. And, equally importantly, take advantage of the CCTT activities to identify the numerous areas of common interest on show. Some such will frequently include shared interest in e.g. country music; vintage vehicles and home crafts.

In the years before COVID, the CCTT organisers had taken the opportunity to facilitate local migrant groups as participants within the festival. In the past, peoples from Lithuania, Poland, East Timor, Portugal, Morocco, Nigeria and Brazil have all taken featured spots in the event. In 2022, it was a group from Romania who came along to occupy a centre spot from which they could showcase their music, food, dance, costume, culture and crafts. They thoroughly enjoyed themselves and were very well received. They also made many new friends Citizens able to work together at the same level with professional civic officers regularly report to CCTT directors that such interceptions permit community activists the opportunity to learn how civic action is created and managed. The converse also applies. Council officers report that working with community teams affords some excellent opportunities to observe, at first hand, the desires and priorities of local communities.

Continued TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The three-way spirit of support and co-operation between the town's commercial sector, its civic management and its communities can be further evidenced by the spirit of goodwill that is engendered by Country Comes To Town through the positive manner that charities and church groups report that they are received on the stands and pitches that the festival organisers provide for them.

Is there harm?

It is highly unlikely that the positive nature of these purposes would be likely to create harm.

Beneficiaries

The beneficiaries of the purposes of Country Comes To Town are, primarily, the groups and individuals from all over Ireland and further afield, who attend the festival as visitors, traders and entertainers. The longer-term benefits of the festival lie in the closer relationships that involvement in CCTT participation brings to broadening the cross-community friendship bonds that are thus created.

Private Benefit

Arising from the very large numbers of people attending Country Comes To Town, there are private financial benefits that accrue to both temporary street traders and resident retailers – through increased trade in the town.

However, this is incidental to the main purposes of holding this festival in order to enhance the quality of the town's community relations.

Financial Review

It is the policy of the charity to maintain restricted reserves which matches the needs of the trust, both at the current time and the foreseeable future. This provides sufficient funds to cover running costs which include management, administration, and support costs. Restricted reserves must be spent in accordance with the donor's wishes.

Plans for Future Periods

It is the intention of Country Comes To Town to further enhance the experience for visitors to the Festival by enlarging the programme on the day [the committee is always looking for more diverse exhibitors] and also by extending the events in the week leading up to the main Saturday, to include Country Music, etc. The Festival is vitally important for the social cohesion, community well-being, and the economic benefits derived for the entire community, enlisting the support of as many people as possible.

Continued TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

Photos from the Festival



Continued TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

Responsibilities of the Trustees

The trustees [who are also the directors of Country Comes To Town for the purposes of company law] are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual Report 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 these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The trustees 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.

Independent Examiner

WHR ACCOUNTANTS LTD has been re-appointed as independent examiner for the ensuing year.

Registered Office

Millennium Court
William Street
Portadown
Co Armagh BT62 3NX.

Signed by order of the trustees

B F McLaughlin
Company Secretary

26 June 2023

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNTRY COMES TO TOWN
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

We report on the Accounts of the Charity for the Year Ended 30 September 2022 set out on page 15.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner

The charity's trustees [who are also the directors of Country Comes To Town for the purposes of company law] are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. Having satisfied ourselves that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is our responsibility to state – on the basis of our examination – whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

Our 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 seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view'.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

1 which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that :

- and*
- proper books of account are kept [in accordance with Section 386 of the Companies act 2006];
 - accounts are prepared which agree with the books of account and comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice : Accounting and Reporting by Charities;

or

2 to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

WHR Accountants Ltd
Independent Examiner
56 English Street , Armagh, BT61 7LG

26 June 2023

Country Comes To Town
[Company Limited By Guarantee]

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

		<u>Year Ended 30 9 22</u>	<u>Year Ended 30 9 21</u>
	<u>Notes</u>	<u>Total Funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Total Funds</u> <u>£</u>
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Incoming resources from charitable activities	2	<u>24,890</u>	=
Total Incoming Resources		<u>24,890</u>	=
 RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Charitable activities	3 / 4	30,156	1,248
Governance costs		<u>600</u>	<u>600</u>
Total Resources Expended		<u>30,756</u>	<u>1,848</u>
 NET (OUTGOING) / INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR			
		<u>(5,866)</u>	<u>(1,848)</u>
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total Funds brought forward		12,293	14,141
 TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD			
		<u>6,427</u>	<u>12,293</u>

The Notes form part of these financial statements

Country Comes To Town
[Company Limited By Guarantee]

BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

	Notes	Year Ended 30 9 22 <u>Total Funds</u> <u>£</u>	Year Ended 30 9 21 <u>Total Funds</u> <u>£</u>
FIXED ASSETS	5		
Tangible Assets		280	311
CURRENT ASSETS	6		
Debtors		1,230	-
Cash at Bank		<u>28,419</u>	<u>12,970</u>
		<u>29,646</u>	<u>12,970</u>
CREDITORS	7		
Amounts falling due within one year		23,502	988
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>6,147</u>	<u>11,982</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		6,147	12,293
NET ASSETS		<u>6,147</u>	<u>12,293</u>
FUNDS	8		
Restricted Funds		6,427	12,293
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>6,427</u>	<u>12,293</u>

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Country Comes To Town
[Company Limited By Guarantee]

continued Balance Sheet - At 30 September 2022

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The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for :

- a. Ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which 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 company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficient 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 company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 26 June 2023,
and were signed on its behalf by:

B F McLaughlin – Trustee

J H Wilson – Trustee

The Notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting Convention

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All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

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Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rate in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life :

Fixtures and Fittings - 10% on reducing balance.

Country Comes To Town
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Continued **NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

2. INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Year Ended 30 9 22	Year Ended 30 9 21
	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Grants – ACB & CB Council	11,250	-
Pitch Licence Fees	12,460	-
Sponsorship & Donations	1,180	-
	<u>24,890</u>	<u>-</u>

3. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY FUND TYPE

	Year Ended 30 9 22	Year Ended 30 9 21
	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Annual Festival	<u>30,756</u>	<u>1,848</u>

4. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY ACTIVITY TYPE

	Year Ended 30 9 22	Year Ended 30 9 21
	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Annual Festival	<u>30,756</u>	<u>1,848</u>

Country Comes To Town
[Company Limited By Guarantee]

Continued **NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures & Fittings £	Total £
<i>COST</i>		
At 1 10 21	444	444
Additions	-	-
At 30 9 22	444	444
<i>DEPRECIATION</i>		
At 1 10 21	133	133
Charge for Year	31	31
	164	164
<i>NET BOOK VALUE</i>		
At 30 9 22	280	280
At 30 9 21	311	311

5(a).TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration nor other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2022 or for the year ended 30 September 2021.

6. DEBTORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Year Ended 30 9 22 Total Funds £	Year Ended 30 9 21 Total Funds £
Trade Debtors	1,230	-
Other Debtors	-	-
	1,230	-

Country Comes To Town
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Continued **NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

7. CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Year Ended 30 9 22	Year Ended 30 9 21
	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Trade Creditors	22,902	388
Other Creditors	-	-
Accruals	600	600
	23,502	988

8. RESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS

	Balance at 30 9 2021	Incoming Resources	Balance at 30 9 2022
	£	£	£
Restricted Funds	12,293	(5,866)	6,427

9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No transactions with related parties were undertaken such as are required to be disclosed under Financial Reporting Standard 8.

10. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

On a winding-up, members may be required to contribute a maximum of £1.

Country Comes To Town
[Company Limited By Guarantee]

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

	<u>Year to 30 9 22</u>	<u>Year to 30 9 21</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</u>		
Grants, Sponsorship, Donations and Stall-holder fees	24,890	-
<u>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</u>	<u>24,890</u>	<u>-</u>
 <u>RESOURCES EXPENDED CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</u>		
Advertising	5,948	155
Marquee Hire	4,368	-
ACB&CB Council Pitch fees	325	-
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Country Comes To Town

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102271

Annual return

Country Comes To Town

(COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER – NIC 102271

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER – NI074062

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022**

Country Comes To Town
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Country Comes To Town
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**MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS OFFICERS
AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS**

<i>Registered charity name</i>	Country Comes to Town
<i>Charity number</i>	NIC 102271
<i>Company registration number</i>	NI074062
<i>Principal office</i>	Millennium Court William Street Portadown Co Armagh BT62 3NX
<i>Registered office</i>	Millennium Court William Street Portadown Co Armagh BT62 3NX
<i>Trustees</i>	Mr B F McLaughlin Mr T E Fleming Mrs A M Culbert Mr J H Wilson
<i>Secretary</i>	Mr B F McLaughlin
<i>Independent Examiner</i>	WHR Accountants Ltd Chartered Certified Accountants Statutory Auditors 56 English Street Armagh Co Armagh BT61 7LG
<i>Bankers</i>	Danske Bank 45 High Street Portadown Co Armagh BT62 1LB

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

The trustees, who are also directors for the purposes of company law, have pleasure in presenting their report and the audited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2022.

Reference and Administrative Details

Reference and administrative details are shown in the schedule of members of the board and professional advisers officers and professional advisers on page 1 of the financial statements.

The Trustees

The trustees who served the company during the period were as follows:

Mr B F McLaughlin
Mr T E Fleming
Mrs A M Culbert
Mr J H Wilson MBE

Structure, Governance and Management

The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice [SORP] "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in 2005 in preparing the report and financial statements of the charity. They have also had regard for any other information required by law or the charity's governing document.

Governing Document

Country Comes to town is constituted as a charity under a trust deed dated 30 September 2010 and is recognised as a charity by HM Revenue & Customs (reference number NI074062), and The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland (Reference Number NIC 102271).

Objectives and Activities

The objectives and principal activities of the charity are to promote good community relationships and social cohesion between the different communities, both ethnic and local, and to attract visitors from all ages and backgrounds into the town of Portadown. Thereby benefiting all the inhabitants of Craigavon District and surrounding areas by holding an annual community festival, celebrating rural life and activity, past and present.

Continued TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

Achievements and Performance

Established since 1999, as Portadown's only major outdoor cross-community festival, last years event attracted in excess of 30,000 visitors into the town centre on 8th October. (Traditionally, CCTT takes place on the third Saturday in September; however, the death of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II in 2022 necessitated a date change.). The event, as usual, ran smoothly, due to extensive pre-planning and working in partnership with statutory agencies such as ABC Borough Council, PSNI, Translink, Roads Service etc. And the co-operation of town centre traders was also invaluable; along with the financial support they provided. The event organisers were pleased to host a group of representatives from the Ballina Salmon Festival in Co. Mayo; a group with which Country Comes To Town has had long-established links.

Subsequent analysis of the CCTT events activities revealed that approximately 50% of visitors came from the Greater Craigavon Area with around 20% from the town of Portadown itself. A further 30% of visitors were attracted from all other parts of N Ireland, with notable coachloads arriving from locations such as Ballymena, Omagh and Ards. The remainder were made up of visitors from ROI counties such as Donegal, Meath, Monaghan, Louth, Galway and Dublin. There were also coaches from Scotland and an 80 strong motorhome group from all over Ireland. One family actually travelled from Ontario in Canada!

Public Benefit

There are a number of public benefits that accrue from the CCTT festival. The first of these relates to the substantial amount of community co-operation and interaction that it engenders in what is still, even in 2022, a significantly fractured political society within Portadown. The second public benefit to arise is the close involvement of civic, commercial and community groups, working in unison to ensure the annual success of this very large event. A third benefit is drawn from the craft exhibits and living history demonstrations that are a feature of the Country Comes To town festival. These provide increased education and knowledge of history and culture for young people through artifacts, activities and demonstrations. These events also create points of stimulation and commentary from older visitors who may have grown up in an era when such activities as woodturning, blacksmithing, thatching, home butter-making and threshing were everyday events.

Demonstrating the Benefits

In Portadown and it's environs, there are still many communities and organisations that tend to restrict their activities to their own district; or to other like-minded groups with similar cultural or political backgrounds as their own. Groups encouraged to participate in CCTT are afforded opportunities to meet with others whose backgrounds and environments differ from their own. Feedback from such interactions indicates that individuals from such intermixing groups are more likely to reflect on the nature of their cultural, political and/or religious differences in a non- threatening and neutral environment. And, equally importantly, take advantage of the CCTT activities to identify the numerous areas of common interest on show. Some such will frequently include shared interest in e.g. country music; vintage vehicles and home crafts.

In the years before COVID, the CCTT organisers had taken the opportunity to facilitate local migrant groups as participants within the festival. In the past, peoples from Lithuania, Poland, East Timor, Portugal, Morocco, Nigeria and Brazil have all taken featured spots in the event. In 2022, it was a group from Romania who came along to occupy a centre spot from which they could showcase their music, food, dance, costume, culture and crafts. They thoroughly enjoyed themselves and were very well received. They also made many new friends Citizens able to work together at the same level with professional civic officers regularly report to CCTT directors that such interceptions permit community activists the opportunity to learn how civic action is created and managed. The converse also applies. Council officers report that working with community teams affords some excellent opportunities to observe, at first hand, the desires and priorities of local communities.

Continued TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The three-way spirit of support and co-operation between the town's commercial sector, its civic management and its communities can be further evidenced by the spirit of goodwill that is engendered by Country Comes To Town through the positive manner that charities and church groups report that they are received on the stands and pitches that the festival organisers provide for them.

Is there harm?

It is highly unlikely that the positive nature of these purposes would be likely to create harm.

Beneficiaries

The beneficiaries of the purposes of Country Comes To Town are, primarily, the groups and individuals from all over Ireland and further afield, who attend the festival as visitors, traders and entertainers. The longer-term benefits of the festival lie in the closer relationships that involvement in CCTT participation brings to broadening the cross-community friendship bonds that are thus created.

Private Benefit

Arising from the very large numbers of people attending Country Comes To Town, there are private financial benefits that accrue to both temporary street traders and resident retailers – through increased trade in the town.

However, this is incidental to the main purposes of holding this festival in order to enhance the quality of the town's community relations.

Financial Review

It is the policy of the charity to maintain restricted reserves which matches the needs of the trust, both at the current time and the foreseeable future. This provides sufficient funds to cover running costs which include management, administration, and support costs. Restricted reserves must be spent in accordance with the donor's wishes.

Plans for Future Periods

It is the intention of Country Comes To Town to further enhance the experience for visitors to the Festival by enlarging the programme on the day [the committee is always looking for more diverse exhibitors] and also by extending the events in the week leading up to the main Saturday, to include Country Music, etc. The Festival is vitally important for the social cohesion, community well-being, and the economic benefits derived for the entire community, enlisting the support of as many people as possible.

Continued TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

Photos from the Festival



Continued TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

Responsibilities of the Trustees

The trustees [who are also the directors of Country Comes To Town for the purposes of company law] are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual Report 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 these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The trustees 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.

Independent Examiner

WHR ACCOUNTANTS LTD has been re-appointed as independent examiner for the ensuing year.

Registered Office

Millennium Court
William Street
Portadown
Co Armagh BT62 3NX.

Signed by order of the trustees

B F McLaughlin
Company Secretary

26 June 2023

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNTRY COMES TO TOWN
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

We report on the Accounts of the Charity for the Year Ended 30 September 2022 set out on page 15.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner

The charity's trustees [who are also the directors of Country Comes To Town for the purposes of company law] are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. Having satisfied ourselves that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is our responsibility to state – on the basis of our examination – whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

Our 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 seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view'.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

1 which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that :

- and*
- proper books of account are kept [in accordance with Section 386 of the Companies act 2006];
 - accounts are prepared which agree with the books of account and comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice : Accounting and Reporting by Charities;

or

2 to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

WHR Accountants Ltd
Independent Examiner
56 English Street , Armagh, BT61 7LG

26 June 2023

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

		<u>Year Ended 30 9 22</u>	<u>Year Ended 30 9 21</u>
	Notes	<u>Total Funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Total Funds</u> <u>£</u>
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Incoming resources from charitable activities	2	<u>24,890</u>	=
Total Incoming Resources		<u>24,890</u>	=
 RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Charitable activities	3 / 4	30,156	1,248
Governance costs		<u>600</u>	<u>600</u>
Total Resources Expended		<u>30,756</u>	<u>1,848</u>
 NET (OUTGOING) / INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR		 <u>(5,866)</u>	 <u>(1,848)</u>
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total Funds brought forward		12,293	14,141
 TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		 <u>6,427</u>	 <u>12,293</u>

The Notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

	Notes	Year Ended 30 9 22 <u>Total Funds</u> <u>£</u>	Year Ended 30 9 21 <u>Total Funds</u> <u>£</u>
FIXED ASSETS	5		
Tangible Assets		280	311
CURRENT ASSETS	6		
Debtors		1,230	-
Cash at Bank		<u>28,419</u>	<u>12,970</u>
		<u>29,646</u>	<u>12,970</u>
CREDITORS	7		
Amounts falling due within one year		23,502	988
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>6,147</u>	<u>11,982</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		6,147	12,293
NET ASSETS		<u>6,147</u>	<u>12,293</u>
FUNDS	8		
Restricted Funds		6,427	12,293
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>6,427</u>	<u>12,293</u>

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continued Balance Sheet - At 30 September 2022

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under Article 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 30 September 2022.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2022, in accordance with Article 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for :

- a. Ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which 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 company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficient 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 company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 26 June 2023,
and were signed on its behalf by:

B F McLaughlin – Trustee

J H Wilson – Trustee

The Notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting Convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provision of Section 1A “Small Entities” of Financial Reporting Standard 102 “The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland” and the Companies Act 2006.

These financial Statements have been prepared under the Historical Cost Convention.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources Expended

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. Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rate in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life :

Fixtures and Fittings - 10% on reducing balance.

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Continued **NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

2. INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Year Ended 30 9 22	Year Ended 30 9 21
	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Grants – ACB & CB Council	11,250	-
Pitch Licence Fees	12,460	-
Sponsorship & Donations	1,180	-
	<u>24,890</u>	<u>-</u>

3. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY FUND TYPE

	Year Ended 30 9 22	Year Ended 30 9 21
	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Annual Festival	<u>30,756</u>	<u>1,848</u>

4. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY ACTIVITY TYPE

	Year Ended 30 9 22	Year Ended 30 9 21
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Continued **NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022**

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures & Fittings £	Total £
<i>COST</i>		
At 1 10 21	444	444
Additions	-	-
At 30 9 22	444	444
<i>DEPRECIATION</i>		
At 1 10 21	133	133
Charge for Year	31	31
	164	164
<i>NET BOOK VALUE</i>		
At 30 9 22	280	280
At 30 9 21	311	311

5(a).TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration nor other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2022 or for the year ended 30 September 2021.

6. DEBTORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Year Ended 30 9 22 Total Funds £	Year Ended 30 9 21 Total Funds £
Trade Debtors	1,230	-
Other Debtors	-	-
	1,230	-
	1,230	-

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Continued **NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

7. CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Year Ended 30 9 22 Total Funds	Year Ended 30 9 21 Total Funds
	£	£
Trade Creditors	22,902	388
Other Creditors	-	-
Accruals	600	600
	23,502	988

8. RESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS

	Balance at 30 9 2021 £	Incoming Resources £	Balance at 30 9 2022 £
Restricted Funds	12,293	(5,866)	6,427

9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No transactions with related parties were undertaken such as are required to be disclosed under Financial Reporting Standard 8.

10. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

On a winding-up, members may be required to contribute a maximum of £1.

Country Comes To Town
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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

	<u>Year to 30 9 22</u>	<u>Year to 30 9 21</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</u>		
Grants, Sponsorship, Donations and Stall-holder fees	24,890	-
<u>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</u>	<u>24,890</u>	<u>-</u>
 <u>RESOURCES EXPENDED CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</u>		
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