

**CITY OF BELFAST LOYAL ORANGE WIDOWS FUND**  
**MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS**

Registered Charity Name      City of Belfast Loyal Orange Widows Fund

Charity Number                NIC 102314

Trustees                        J McCrea JP  
                                      T Wright  
                                      B Rice  
                                      W Hughes  
                                      J Shields  
                                      J Patterson  
                                      D. Baillie  
                                      The Fund Treasurer (Thomas S. McAlister)  
                                      The Fund Secretary (Samuel Baxter)

Independent Examiner        A Bowman ACA  
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**CITY OF BELFAST LOYAL ORANGE WIDOWS FUND  
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT  
YEAR ENDED 31.12.2018**

The trustees are pleased to present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31.12.2018

**The Trustees**

Trustees who served for the charity during the financial year were:

J McCrea JP  
T Wright  
B Rice  
J Shields  
J Patterson  
W. Hughes  
D. Baillie  
The Treasurer (T. S. McAlister)  
The Secretary (S. Baxter)

**Structure, Governance and Management**

The fund is governed by the constitution and bye-laws

**Objectives and Activities**

The objective of the fund shall be to offer assistance to deserving widows of deceased Orangemen of Belfast by grants of money. The sphere of the funds operations shall be confined to Orange Lodges, Black Preceptories and Apprentice Boys of Derry Clubs working under the jurisdiction of the County Grand Orange Lodge of Belfast, City of Belfast Grand Black Chapter and Apprentice Boys of Derry Clubs in connection with the Fund either by donation or subscription.

**Achievement and Performance / Financial Review**

During 2018 the overall value of the fund has fallen by £21,505(4%). This was attributable to a fall in the last quarter in the stock market which had an adverse effect on long term investments. There was an increase in Income in 2018 as a direct result of sale of badges and funds received through the sale of Twelfth books although this was offset by a reduction in income received through "specials" in comparison to 2017 which fell from £6,405 in 2017 to £1,150 in 2018. The overall fund continues to be in a good financial state.

**Plans for Future Periods**

The trustees hope to continue to provide financial support to the beneficiaries at the same level as in the previous years

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**Responsibilities of the Trustees**

The charity's trustees 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)

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity 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 policies and principles in the charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable 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 charity 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 charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 1964. The Trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER**

Aaron Bowman ACA Ba(Hons)  
1 Weavers Meadow  
Lurgan Road  
Banbridge  
Co Down

Signed on behalf of the trustees

S McAlister  
Treasurer



**CITY OF BELFAST LOYAL ORANGE WIDOWS FUND  
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF CITY OF  
BELFAST LOYAL ORANGE WIDOWS FUND  
YEAR ENDED 31.12.2018**

**Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of my examination, whether any particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiners Statement**

My Examination includes a review and comparison of accounting records presented within these statements. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence required within an audit and as such no audit opinion on whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" will be presented.

**Independent Examiners Statement**

Within my examination no matters have been brought to my attention and as such I am satisfied that:

- Proper books of account are kept in accordance with section 27 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 1964; and
- Accounts are prepared which agree with the books of account and comply with the accounting requirements of the act.

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