

# Comber Coal Fund

Northern Ireland · Charity number 102868

## Details

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**Status** Received

**Registered** 2015-06-02

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register](#)

## Contact

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**Address** 4 Cuttles Rise  
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## Activities

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**Purposes:** To provide coal (ordinary coal and smokeless fuel) to generally old age pensioners or senior citizens in need. There may be a few exceptions to this in the case of perhaps some invalids or people with long term illness or disability. There may be some cases where coal is supplied when recipients have oil or gas where a need is demonstrated or identified.

**What the charity does:** The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage

**How the charity works:** General charitable purposes

**Who the charity helps:** Older people

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-11-30	£1,040	£1,610	£0	0

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Mr Crosby Mcveigh		
Mr Cyril Johnston		
Mr John Andrews Fca		
Mr Michael Mcclean		
Mrs Laura Mcaleese		
Rev Ian Gilpin Ba Bd		

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# Accounts

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COMBER COAL FUND ACCOUNT  
FROM 01.12.24 TO 30.11.25

DATE	INCOME	EXPENDITURE
2024		
Nov 30 Balance Forward	£3,026.32	
Dec 13 Corken Fuels Ltd		£1,610.00
Dec 18 Andrews Mem P S	440.00	
2025		
Feb 13 Comber Methodist Church	50.00	
Apr 01 John Andrews & Co Ltd	300.00	
Oct 20 Comber Non Sub Pres Ch	150.00	
Nov 07 Mr & Mrs C Johnston	100.00	
Nov 30 Balance		£2,456.32
<b>Totals</b>	<b>£4,066.32</b>	<b>£4,066.32</b>

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**COMBER COAL FUND ACCOUNT -  
FROM 01.12.23 TO 30.11.24**

DATE	Income	Expenditure
2023		
Nov 30	Balance Fwd £3,299.32	
Dec 01	Comber Methodist Church 50.00	
Dec 01	John Andrews & Co Limited 300.00	
Dec 13	Corken Fuels Ltd	£1,954.00
Dec 18	Andrews Mem PS 530.00	
2024		
Jan 04	St Patrick's Parish N'ards 150.00	
Jan 19	Comber Primary School 101.00	
Jan 19	Rev I & Mrs S Gilpin 100.00	
Apr 30	Mr & Mrs Bertie Frazer 50.00	
Apr 30	Rev I & Mrs S Gilpin 150.00	
Oct 18	Comber Non Sub Pres Church 150.00	
Nov 02	C & J Johnston 100.00	
Nov 30	Balance	£3,026.32
	<b>Totals</b>	<b>£4,980.32</b>
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COMBER COAL FUND COMMITTEE  
6 DECEMBER 2024

Attendance

Crosbie McVeigh      Laura McAleese  
Cyril Johnston        Michael McClean

1. Cyril Johnston, Chairman, welcomed everyone to The Stables. The meeting commenced with a memorial tribute to our friend and fellow Committee member, Barbara Bailie, who passed away on 15 September 2024. Barbara's enthusiasm and local knowledge will be much missed in The Comber Coal Fund.
2. The minutes of the meeting held on 1 December 2023 were read and agreed to be a true record of the meeting.
3. Apologies were received from Rev Ian Gilpin and Jonny Andrews.
4. Cyril presented the financial statement for the year ended 30 November 2024. This showed that the Coal Fund remains in a healthy condition and it was agreed that we could again provide 2 bags of coal to each beneficiary this year. The current balance of the Fund is £3,026.32 and the cost of providing 2 bags of coal to each of the beneficiaries will be £1612 which is less than last year as the number of households receiving coal has been reduced to 26. This will leave a balance of £1414 in the bank. Unfortunately, coal is no longer the main fuel source and has been replaced by oil and gas in private and social housing. We will keep the situation under review in the next year whilst also trying to identify potential beneficiaries.
5. The Fund has been generously supported by local churches and schools - St Mary's, Killinchy Street; Comber Primary School; Comber Methodist Church; Comber Non-Subscribing Church; John Andrews & Co Ltd; and Andrews Memorial Primary School.
6. The Secretary will approach Rev Nicky Hazely, Comber Methodist Church regarding their future representation on the Coal Fund Committee.
7. Thanks were expressed to Corken Fuels for their assistance in the distribution of the coal to beneficiaries.
8. This being all the business the meeting was closed.

Laura McAleese,  
Secretary

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AUDITED & FOUND CORRECT

Jim Dunlop (Hon. AUDITOR)

17-11-24

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**COMBER COAL FUND ACCOUNT –  
FROM 01.12.22 TO 30.11.23**

DATE	Income	Expenditure
2022		
Nov 30	Balance Fwd £3,442.03	
Dec 02	Corken Fuels	£2,352.00
Dec 02	Comber Methodist Church 50.00	
Dec 02	John Andrews & & Co Limited 300.00	
Dec 03	Mr&Mrs B Frazer 20.00	
Dec 05	Corken Fuels Ltd	74.00
Dec 16	Andrews Mem PS 881.00	
Dec 29	Linda McKeague 20.00	
Dec 29	Comber Primary School 100.00	
2023		
Jan 06	Nendrum College 162.29	
Apr 28	Nendrum College 500.00	
Oct 18	Comber Non Sub Pres Church 150.00	
Nov 02	C & J Johnston 100.00	
Nov 30	Balance	£3,299.32
	Totals	<u>£5,725.32</u>
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COMBER COAL FUND COMMITTEE  
1 DECEMBER 2023

Attendance

Barbara Bailie	Jonny Andrews
Crosby McVeigh	Laura McAleese
Cyril Johnston	Michael McClean

1. Cyril Johnston, Chairman, welcomed everyone to The Stables. The minutes of the meeting held on 2 December 2022 were read and agreed to be a true record of the meeting.
2. Apologies were received from Rev Ian Gilpin.
3. Cyril presented the financial statement for the year ended 30 November 2023. This showed that the Coal Fund remains in a healthy state and it was agreed that we could again provide 2 bags of coal to each beneficiary this year. The current balance of the Fund is £3,299.32 and the cost of providing 2 bags of coal to each of the beneficiaries will be around the same as last year which was £2352. This will leave a balance of £1000 in the bank. The current financial climate in NI is a cause for concern to many and as a result this gift will provide much assistance to our beneficiaries.
4. Barbara Bailie handed over a cheque from Comber Methodist Church (£50) and Jonny Andrews gave a donation of £300 from John Andrews & Co Ltd. The Fund is also to be supported by St Mary's, Killinchy Street and Andrews Memorial Primary School in coming weeks.
5. The Trustees were pleased to note that there had been four additional names had been approved and the list of beneficiaries is 34 households this year. The Committee will continue to try to identify potential additional beneficiaries however, it is recognised that fewer people now rely on coal fires. Each Trustee will remind their churches/organisations about the Coal Fund. For the future the position of the Comber Coal Fund will be reviewed on an annual basis.
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