

# Drumlough Highland Pipe Band

Northern Ireland · Charity number 103205

## Details

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Known as

DHPB

Status

Received

Registered

2015-08-14

Register

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## Activities

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**Purposes:** The Charity's objectives are: - To promote interest in the history, culture and musical heritage of Pipe Band traditions within Drumlough, its surrounding townlands, Northern Ireland and beyond. - To educate and encourage persons of all ages, sexes and abilities to develop their instrumental skills and talents through tuition in the instruments and in the related skills and competencies.

**What the charity does:** The advancement of education, The advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science

**How the charity works:** Arts, Community development, Cultural, Education/training, Heritage/historical, Volunteer development, Youth development

**Who the charity helps:** Adult training, Children (5-13 year olds), General public, Voluntary and community sector, Volunteers, Youth (14-25 year olds)

## Finances

| Period end | Income | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|--------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2024-12-31 | £7,205 | £7,689      | £0     | 0         |

## Trustees

| Name            | Role | Appointed |
|-----------------|------|-----------|
| Adrian Henning  |      |           |
| Derek Mcdowell  |      |           |
| Faith Mcdowell  |      |           |
| Hugh Bell       |      |           |
| John Bell       |      |           |
| Kyle Scott      |      |           |
| Mervyn Mcdowell |      |           |
| Mr Mark Wilson  |      |           |

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# Accounts

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| Drumlough Highland Pipe Band, Rathfriland<br>Financial Statement (1st January 2024 - 31st December 2024) |   |                   |            |   |                   |
|--|---|-------------------|------------|---|-------------------|
| Date   | Income 2024   | Amount            | Date       | Expenditure 2024                                      | Cheque No. Amount |
| 01/01/2024   | National Savings Account Interest                             | £3.04             | 08/03/2024 | Bank Charges  | BACS £9.29        |
| 08/03/2024   | Christmas Shoot 2023  | £400.00           | 21/03/2024 | Kilt - Deposit (Esseys)                               | BACS £250.00      |
| 19/01/2024   | DBRDA - Christmas Party Event 2023                            | £225.00           | 04/04/2024 | Credit Union Annual Fee                               | N/A £3.00         |
| 26/02/2024   | DBRDA - Burns Night Event                                     | £300.00           | 19/06/2024 | Kilts - Final Payment (Esseys)                        | BACS £180.00      |
| 04/04/2024   | Credit Union Dividend   | £32.08            | 19/06/2024 | Belt Buckle (Esseys)                                  | CASH £15.00       |
| 05/06/2024   | Blackbridge Orange Service (2 June 2024)                      | £150.00           | 06/06/2024 | Pipe Bags & Belt (Beat Street)                        | BACS £283.74      |
| 26/07/2024   | DBRDA - Drumlough Community Festival 2024                     | £250.00           | 07/06/2024 | Bank Charges  | BACS £9.23        |
| 30/08/2024   | 11th July Parade, Rathfrilandf (Rathfriland Arts & Tradition) | £200.00           | 11/06/2024 | Ulster-Scots - Tuition Rent                           | BACS £600.00      |
| 17/09/2024   | Scarva / Black Saturday (RBP 170)                             | £400.00           | 22/07/2024 | Top-Up Loan to DBRDA *                                | N/A £1,862.08     |
| 20/09/2024   | Donation  | £231.83           | 22/07/2024 | Ulster-Scots - Tuition Piping Tutor                   | 295 £1,000.00     |
| 01/10/2024   | DBRDA - Minority Community Event (Ulster Day)                 | £250.00           | 23/07/2024 | Ulster-Scots - Tuition Drumming Tutor                 | 293 £1,000.00     |
| 24/10/2024   | Ulster Scots Agency - Piping & Drumming Tutition Funding      | £785.00           | 20/08/2024 | Nigel McKinstry - Drum Tuning                         | Cash £30.00       |
| 28/10/2024   | DAERA Micro-Grant   | £1,975.04         | 22/08/2024 | Waistcoat (Smith Drumming)                            | 297 £50.00        |
| 19/12/2024   | DBRDA - Christmas Party Event 2024                            | £240.00           | 09/09/2024 | DAERA Micro-Grant - Anti-Choking Device (Safelincs)   | BACS £107.97      |
| 31/12/2024   | Band Dues 2024  | £400.00           | 09/09/2024 | DAERA Micro-Grant - Popup Gazebo (Gazebo Shop)        | BACS £1,040.60    |
| 31/12/2024   | 2024 Bank Interest  | £47.98            | 06/09/2024 | Bank Charges  | BACS £11.22       |
| 31/12/2024   | DBRDA Loan Repayment(s) *                                     | £1,315.00         | 30/09/2024 | DAERA Micro-Grant - Hotplate (Regal Fabrication)      | 298 £1,176.00     |
|  |   |                   | 01/10/2024 | Waistcoat (Sammy Smyth)                               | 297 £50.00        |
|  |   |                   | 06/12/2024 | Bank Charges  | BACS £11.25       |
|  | <b>Total Income 2024</b>                                      | <b>£7,204.97</b>  |            | <b>Total Expenditure 2024</b>                         | <b>£7,689.38</b>  |
|  | Cash Balance from 2023  | £81.20            |            | Cash Balance as of 31/12/2024                         | £560.95           |
|  | Credit Union from 2023  | £7,833.00         |            | Credit Union as of 31/12/2024                         | £6,000.00         |
|  | Bank Balance from 2023  | £4,106.34         |            | Bank Balances as of 31/12/2024                        | £4,425.06         |
|  | National Savings Balance from 2023                            | £3,272.72         |            | National Savings Balance as of 31/12/2024             | £3,275.76         |
|  | <b>Balance from 2023</b>                                      | <b>£15,293.26</b> |            | <b>Balance as of 31/12/2024</b>                       | <b>£14,261.77</b> |
|  | * Remaining Loan Balance from 2023                            | £5,279.00         |            | * Remaining Loan Balance as of 31/12/2024             | £5,826.08         |
|  | <b>* Balance from 2023 (incl Loan Balance)</b>                | <b>£20,572.26</b> |            | <b>* Balance as of 31/12/2024 (incl Loan Balance)</b> | <b>£20,087.85</b> |
|  |   | <b>£27,777.23</b> |            |   | <b>£27,777.23</b> |

Signed (Treasurer):



Date:

10 February 2025

Independently Verified By:



Date:

11 February 2025

**Drumlough Highland Pipe Band**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103205

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# Accounts

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| Drumlough Highland Pipe Band, Rathfriland<br>Financial Statement (1st January 2023 - 31st December 2023) |   |                   |            |  |            |                   |
|--|---|-------------------|------------|--|------------|-------------------|
| Date   | Income 2023   | Amount            | Date       | Expenditure 2023   | Cheque No. | Amount            |
| 01/01/2023   | National Savings Account Interest   | £3.04             | 05/01/2023 | DAERA Micro-Grant - PS5 / Scramble / Simon (Smyths)          | BACS       | £510.97           |
| 08/03/2023   | Christmas Shoot 2021 & 2022   | £690.00           | 12/01/2023 | DAERA Micro-Grant - PS5 Games (Smyths)                       | BACS       | £54.98            |
| 08/03/2023   | Donation  | £70.00            | 12/01/2023 | DAERA Micro-Grant - PS5 Controller & Charger (Smyths)        | BACS       | £81.98            |
| 09/03/2023   | DAERA Micro-Grant   | £1,468.14         | 12/01/2023 | DAERA Micro-Grant - Cluedo (Smyths)                          | BACS       | £13.99            |
| 20/03/2023   | DBRDA - St Patrick's Celebration Event  | £225.00           | 12/01/2023 | DAERA Micro-Grant - PS5 Controller & Charge / Games (Smyths) | BACS       | £149.13           |
| 24/04/2023   | Amazon Smile Donation   | £6.64             | 12/01/2023 | DAERA Micro-Grant - PS5 Controller / Games (Smyths)          | BACS       | £76.98            |
| 19/05/2023   | Amazon Smile Donation   | £25.24            | 31/01/2023 | DAERA Micro-Grant - Buckaroo (Bargain Max)                   | BACS       | £12.99            |
| 05/06/2023   | Donation  | £100.00           | 31/01/2023 | DAERA Micro-Grant - Wireless Microphones (Gear4Music)        | BACS       | £518.00           |
| 08/06/2023   | Blackbridge Orange Service (4 June 2023)                                      | £150.00           | 06/02/2023 | DAERA Micro-Grant - PS5 Carry Case (Amazon)                  | BACS       | £45.99            |
| 12/06/2023   | DBRDA - Drumlough Coronation Event  | £250.00           | 10/03/2023 | Bank Charges   | BACS       | £9.26             |
| 27/07/2023   | Donation (F McD)  | £1,000.00         | 11/04/2023 | Credit Union Charges   | N/A        | £3.00             |
| 31/07/2023   | DBRDA - Drumlough Community Festival  | £250.00           | 02/05/2023 | Plastic Storage Box (Homebase)                               | BACS       | £7.00             |
| 03/08/2023   | DBRDA Loan Repayment(s) *   | £1,866.00         | 09/05/2023 | Postage (Beat Street)  | BACS       | £4.45             |
| 17/08/2023   | 11th July Parade, Kilkeel (Schomberg Society)                                 | £150.00           | 09/06/2023 | Bank Charges   | BACS       | £16.51            |
| 30/10/2023   | DBRDA - Drumlough PUL Event   | £200.00           | 21/07/2023 | Ulster-Scots - Tuition Rent                                  | 289        | £600.00           |
| 29/11/2023   | Ulster Scots Agency - Piping & Drumming Tuition Funding 2023-24 (1st Payment) | £975.00           | 24/07/2023 | Ulster-Scots - Tuition Drumming Tutor                        | 288        | £1,000.00         |
| 15/12/2023   | Ulster Scots Agency - Piping & Drumming Tuition Funding 2022-23 (2nd Payment) | £975.00           | 31/07/2023 | Ulster-Scots - Tuition Piping Tutor                          | 287        | £1,000.00         |
| 29/12/2023   | 2023 Bank Interest  | £26.57            | 07/08/2023 | Eric McGaw - Kilt Material Booked (via H Bell)               | Cash       | £270.00           |
|  |   |                   | 07/08/2023 | Nigel McKinstry - Drum Tuning for 12th July                  | Cash       | £30.00            |
|  |   |                   | 29/08/2023 | Wedding Gift (F McDowell)                                    | 290        | £150.00           |
|  |   |                   | 08/09/2023 | Bank Charges   | BACS       | £13.86            |
|  |   |                   | 15/09/2023 | In Lieu of Flowers Donation (Bob Halliday)                   | 291        | £30.00            |
|  |   |                   | 08/12/2023 | Bank Charges   | BACS       | £9.59             |
|  | <b>Total Income 2023</b>  | <b>£8,430.63</b>  |            | <b>Total Expenditure 2023</b>                                |            | <b>£4,608.68</b>  |
|  | Cash Balance from 2022  | £81.20            |            | Cash Balance as of 31/12/2023                                |            | £81.20            |
|  | Credit Union from 2022  | £5,400.00         |            | Credit Union as of 31/12/2023                                |            | £7,833.00         |
|  | Bank Balance from 2022  | £2,720.43         |            | Bank Balances as of 31/12/2023                               |            | £4,106.34         |
|  | National Savings Balance from 2022  | £3,269.68         |            | National Savings Balance as of 31/12/2023                    |            | £3,272.72         |
|  | <b>Balance from 2022</b>  | <b>£11,471.31</b> |            | <b>Balance as of 31/12/2023</b>                              |            | <b>£15,293.26</b> |
|  | * Remaining Loan Balance  | £8,070.00         |            | * Remaining Loan Balance                                     |            | £5,279.00         |
|  | * Balance from 2022 Incl Loan Balance   | £19,541.31        |            | * Balance as of 31/12/2023 Incl Loan Balance                 |            | £20,572.26        |
|  |   | <b>£19,901.94</b> |            |  |            | <b>£19,901.94</b> |

Signed (Treasurer):

Adrian Henning

Date:

27-2-24

Independently Verified By:

Noel Saffin

Date:

27/2/2024

**Drumlough Highland Pipe Band**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103205

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# Annual report

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**Drumlough Highland Pipe Band**  
**Charity Registration Number: NIC 103205**  
**Trustees Report for Year ended December 2023**

**Band Activities**

- Completion of Rural Micro Grant 2022 – New Assets;
- DBRDA – St Patrick’s Celebration Event;
- DBRDA – King’s Coronation Event;
- Blackbridge Orang Service (Loughbrickland);
- Annual Battle of The Somme Commemoration Parade (Rathfriland);
- Schomberg Society - 11th July Pageant Parade (Kilkeel);
- Annual Twelfth July Celebrations (Loughbrickland);
- DBRDA – Community Festival;
- Christmas Clay Pigeon Shoot;
- Weekly Band Practice; and
- Piping and Drumming Tuition (Ulster-Scots Agency funded).

**Financial Summary**

- Income for 2023 = £6,564.63<sup>1</sup>;
- Expenditure for 2023 = £4,608.68;
- Net income for 2023 = £1,955.95<sup>1</sup>;
- £274.45 spent on uniform & instruments/accessories during 2023; and
- Balance at end of 2023 = £20,572.26<sup>2</sup>.

**General Comments**

- Membership remained steady with increased number of new learners in 2023, particularly in the drumming aspect;
- Expenditure on instruments & uniforms during 2023 was significantly lower compared to previous years; and
- Continued to seek grants to ensure continuing growth and development of the band so that it can continue to provide a public benefit.

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<sup>1</sup> Excludes repayment of £1,866 against interest free loan for DBRDA’s Wall Project.

<sup>2</sup> Includes remaining balance of interest free loan for DBRDA’s Wall Project.

## **Charitable Status & Pubic Benefits**

The public benefits continue to be the following and are achieved by the various activities outlined above.

### **THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE ARTS, CULTURE, HERITAGE OR SCIENCE**

- BY PROMOTING INTEREST IN THE HISTORY, CULTURE AND MUSICAL HERITAGE OF PIPE BAND TRADITIONS WITHIN DRUMLOUGH, ITS SURROUNDING TOWNLANDS, NORTHERN IRELAND AND BEYOND.

### **THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION**

- TO EDUCATE AND ENCOURAGE PERSONS OF ALL AGES, SEXES AND ABILITIES TO DEVELOP THEIR INSTRUMENTAL SKILLS AND TALENTS THROUGH TUITION IN THE INSTRUMENTS AND IN THE RELATED SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES.

**Drumlough Highland Pipe Band**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103205

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# Annual return

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**Drumlough Highland Pipe Band**  
**Charity Registration Number: NIC 103205**  
**Independent Examiner's Report to the Charity Trustees**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2023<sup>1</sup>.

**Respective Responsibilities of Charity Trustees and Examiner**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of this Independent Examiner's Report**

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

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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<sup>1</sup> See 'Appendix 1 - DHPB Annual Accounts (01/01/2023 - 31/12/2023)'.

## **Independent Examiner's Statement**

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Name

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Noel Laffin". The signature is written in a cursive style with a double underline at the end.

**(Noel Laffin)**

Relevant professional qualification or body

**N/A**

Address

**7 Drumlough Cross, Rathfriland, County Down, BT34 5DU**

Date

**18/07/2024**

## Appendix 1 - DHPB Annual Accounts (01/01/2023 – 31/12/2023)

| Drumlough Highland Pipe Band, Rathfriland<br>Financial Statement (1st January 2023 - 31st December 2023) |   |                   |            |  |            |                   |
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|  | <i>Cash Balance from 2022</i>   | <i>£81.20</i>     |            | <i>Cash Balance as of 31/12/2023</i>                         |            | <i>£81.20</i>     |
|  | <i>Credit Union from 2022</i>   | <i>£5,400.00</i>  |            | <i>Credit Union as of 31/12/2023</i>                         |            | <i>£7,833.00</i>  |
|  | <i>Bank Balance from 2022</i>   | <i>£2,720.43</i>  |            | <i>Bank Balances as of 31/12/2023</i>                        |            | <i>£4,106.34</i>  |
|  | <i>National Savings Balance from 2022</i>                                     | <i>£3,269.68</i>  |            | <i>National Savings Balance as of 31/12/2023</i>             |            | <i>£3,272.72</i>  |
|  | <i>Balance from 2022</i>  | <i>£11,471.31</i> |            | <i>Balance as of 31/12/2023</i>                              |            | <i>£15,293.26</i> |
|  | <i>* Remaining Loan Balance</i>   | <i>£8,070.00</i>  |            | <i>* Remaining Loan Balance</i>                              |            | <i>£5,279.00</i>  |
|  | <i>* Balance from 2022 Incl Loan Balance</i>                                  | <i>£19,541.31</i> |            | <i>* Balance as of 31/12/2023 Incl Loan Balance</i>          |            | <i>£20,572.26</i> |
|  |   | <b>£19,901.94</b> |            |  |            | <b>£19,901.94</b> |

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# Accounts

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| Date   | Income 2022  | Amount            | Date   | Expenditure 2022                                     | Cheque No. | Amount            |
| 01/01/2022   | National Savings Account Interest                                      | £0.33             | 08/03/2022                                   | Interest Free Loan for Wall Project *                | BACS       | £10,000.00        |
| 23/02/2022   | Amazon Smile Donation  | £14.07            | 11/03/2022                                   | Bank Charges   | BACS       | £8.43             |
| 31/03/2022   | Black Saturday 2021 (RBP 170)  | £400.00           | 07/04/2022                                   | Credit Union Charges                                 |            | £3.00             |
| 07/04/2022   | Credit Union Dividend  | £12.03            | 04/05/2022                                   | Chesney Reeds  | BACS       | £180.00           |
| 28/04/2022   | Donation (F McD)   | £1,000.00         | 04/05/2022                                   | Ulster-Scots - Tuition Piping Tutor                  | 282        | £1,000.00         |
| 03/05/2022   | Donation (D McD)   | £1,000.00         | 05/05/2023                                   | Ulster-Scots - Tuition Rent                          | 285        | £600.00           |
| 09/05/2022   | Amazon Smile Donation  | £8.53             | 16/05/2023                                   | Ulster-Scots - Tuition Drumming Tutor                | 283        | £1,000.00         |
| 06/06/2022   | DBRDA - Queen's Platinum Jubilee Event (4 June 2022)                   | £250.00           | 10/06/2022                                   | Bank Charges   | BACS       | £15.10            |
| 09/08/2022   | DBRDA - Community Festival (28 July 2022)                              | £250.00           | 02/08/2022                                   | Eric McGaw - Kilt                                    | BACS       | £295.00           |
| 16/08/2022   | Amazon Smile Donation  | £9.49             | 19/08/2022                                   | Esseys - Bagpipe Bag                                 | BACS       | £124.00           |
| 02/09/2022   | Black Saturday 2022 (RBP 170)  | £400.00           | 22/08/2022                                   | Beat Street - Bagpipe Bag                            | BACS       | £133.01           |
| 13/09/2022   | Ulster Scots Agency - Piping & Drumming Tutition Funding (1st Payment) | £975.00           | 09/09/2022                                   | Bank Charges   | BACS       | £9.63             |
| 30/09/2022   | 11th July Parade, Kilkeel (Schomberg Society)                          | £150.00           | 21/10/2022                                   | Donation to Legananny LOL 1455                       |            | £300.00           |
| 17/10/2022   | DBRDA - PUL Event (8 Oct 2022)   | £175.00           | 24/10/2022                                   | Wreath for Queen's Service (Barleywood Flowers)      | 286        | £50.00            |
| 24/10/2022   | Legananny LOL 1455 Queen's Jubilee / Commemoration Event               | £300.00           | 25/10/2022                                   | Band 80th Celebration At Stormont - Bus              | CASH       | £350.00           |
| 25/10/2022   | Band 80th Celebration At Stormont - Bus Collection / Donations         | £290.00           | 07/11/2022                                   | Beat Street - Bagpipe Bag                            | BACS       | £107.50           |
| 25/10/2022   | Donation (R Bullick)   | £110.00           | 11/11/2022                                   | Donation to Legananny Accordion Band                 |            | £300.00           |
| 09/11/2022   | Ulster Scots Agency - Piping & Drumming Tutition Funding (2nd Payment) | £975.00           | 05/12/2022                                   | Band 80th Celebration At Stormont - Food             | BACS       | £594.00           |
| 14/11/2022   | Legananny Accordion Band's Ulster-Scots Community Concert              | £300.00           | 09/12/2022                                   | Bank Charges   | BACS       | £11.90            |
| 15/11/2022   | Amazon Smile Donation  | £14.73            | 20/12/2022                                   | Drums Payment (N Hodgen)                             | BACS       | £600.00           |
| 22/12/2022   | DBRDA Loan Repayment *   | £1,280.00         | 30/12/2022                                   | DAERA Micro-Grant - Air Hockey Table (Liberty Games) | BACS       | £199.99           |
| 29/12/2022   | PAYPAL CODE  | £0.01             | 30/12/2022                                   | DAERA Micro-Grant - Football Table (Argos)           | BACS       | £188.95           |
| 30/12/2022   | DBRDA - Christmas Event (7 Dec 2022)                                   | £175.00           | 30/12/2022                                   | Donation to DBRDA (Wall)                             |            | £850.00           |
| 30/12/2022   | 2021 Bank Interest   | £0.72             |  |  |            |                   |
| <b>Total Income 2022</b>   |  | <b>£8,089.91</b>  | <b>Total Expenditure 2022</b>                |  |            | <b>£16,920.51</b> |
| Cash Balance from 2021   |  | £31.20            | Cash Balance as of 31/12/2022                |  |            | £81.20            |
| Credit Union from 2021   |  | £9,885.48         | Credit Union as of 31/12/2022                |  |            | £5,400.00         |
| Bank Balance from 2021   |  | £7,115.88         | Bank Balances as of 31/12/2022               |  |            | £2,720.43         |
| National Savings Balance from 2021   |  | £3,269.35         | National Savings Balance as of 31/12/2022    |  |            | £3,269.68         |
| <b>Balance from 2021</b>   |  | <b>£20,301.91</b> | <b>Balance as of 31/12/2022</b>              |  |            | <b>£11,471.31</b> |
|  |  |                   | * Remaining Loan Balance                     |  |            | £8,720.00         |
|  |  |                   | * Balance as of 31/12/2022 Incl Loan Balance |  |            | £20,191.31        |
|  |  | <b>£28,391.82</b> |  |  |            | <b>£28,391.82</b> |

Signed:



(Treasurer)

Date: 28th March 2023

Independently Verified By:



(Independent Verifier)

Date: 28th March 2023

**Drumlough Highland Pipe Band**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103205

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# Annual report

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**Drumlough Highland Pipe Band**  
**Charity Registration Number: NIC 103205**  
**Trustees Report for Year ended December 2022**

**Band Activities**

- DBRDA - Queen's Platinum Jubilee Event;
- Legananny LOL 1455 - Queen's Jubilee / Commemoration Event;
- Annual Battle of The Somme Commemoration Parade;
- Schomberg Society - 11th July Pageant Parade (Kilkeel);
- Annual Twelfth July Celebrations (Newry);
- DBRDA – Community Festival;
- Annual Last Saturday Procession (Bangor);
- Band 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations (Stormont);
- Legananny Accordion Band - Ulster-Scots Concert;
- DBRDA - PUL Event;
- DBRDA – Christmas Event;
- Rural Micro Grant – Games & Microphones;
- Weekly Band Practice; and
- Piping and Drumming Tuition (Ulster-Scots Agency funded).

**Financial Summary**

- Income for 2022 = £6,089.91<sup>1</sup>;
- Expenditure for 2022 = £6,920.51<sup>2</sup>;
- Net loss for 2022 = £110.60<sup>3</sup>;
- £1,439.51 spent on uniform & instruments/accessories during 2022; and
- Balance at end of 2022 = £20,191.31<sup>4</sup>.

**General Comments**

- Membership remained steady with number of new learners in 2022;
- Expenditure on instruments & uniforms during 2022 was lower compared to previous years due to purchase of additional drums; and
- Continued to seek grants to ensure continuing growth and development of the band so that it can continue to provide a public benefit.

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<sup>1</sup> Excludes repayment of £1,280 against interest free loan of £10,000 for DBRDA's Wall Project.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes interest free loan of £10,000 for DBRDA's Wall Project.

<sup>3</sup> Figure excludes interest free loan for DBRDA's Wall Project.

<sup>4</sup> Includes remaining balance of interest free loan for DBRDA's Wall Project.

## **Charitable Status & Pubic Benefits**

The public benefits continue to be the following and are achieved by the various activities outlined above.

### **THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE ARTS, CULTURE, HERITAGE OR SCIENCE**

- BY PROMOTING INTEREST IN THE HISTORY, CULTURE AND MUSICAL HERITAGE OF PIPE BAND TRADITIONS WITHIN DRUMLOUGH, ITS SURROUNDING TOWNLANDS, NORTHERN IRELAND AND BEYOND.

### **THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION**

- TO EDUCATE AND ENCOURAGE PERSONS OF ALL AGES, SEXES AND ABILITIES TO DEVELOP THEIR INSTRUMENTAL SKILLS AND TALENTS THROUGH TUITION IN THE INSTRUMENTS AND IN THE RELATED SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES.

**Drumlough Highland Pipe Band**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103205

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# Annual return

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**Drumlough Highland Pipe Band**  
**Charity Registration Number: NIC 103205**  
**Independent Examiner's Report to the Charity Trustees**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2022<sup>1</sup>.

**Respective Responsibilities of Charity Trustees and Examiner**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of this Independent Examiner's Report**

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

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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<sup>1</sup> See 'Appendix 1 - DHPB Annual Accounts (01/01/2022 - 31/12/2022)'.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Name

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Noel Laffin'.

**(Noel Laffin)**

Relevant professional qualification or body

**N/A**

Address

**7 Drumlough Cross, Rathfriland, County Down, BT34 5DU**

Date

**28/03/2023**

## Appendix 1 - DHPB Annual Accounts (01/01/2022 – 31/12/2022)

| Drumlough Highland Pipe Band, Rathfriland<br>Financial Statement (1st January 2022 - 31st December 2022) |  |                   |                               |  |            |                   |
|--|--|-------------------|-------------------------------|--|------------|-------------------|
| Date   | Income 2022  | Amount            | Date                          | Expenditure 2022                                     | Cheque No. | Amount            |
| 01/01/2022   | National Savings Account Interest                                      | £0.33             | 08/03/2022                    | Interest Free Loan for Wall Project *                | BACS       | £10,000.00        |
| 23/02/2022   | Amazon Smile Donation  | £14.07            | 11/03/2022                    | Bank Charges   | BACS       | £8.43             |
| 31/03/2022   | Black Saturday 2021 (RBP 170)  | £400.00           | 07/04/2022                    | Credit Union Charges                                 |            | £3.00             |
| 07/04/2022   | Credit Union Dividend  | £12.03            | 04/05/2022                    | Chesney Reeds  | BACS       | £180.00           |
| 28/04/2022   | Donation (F McD)   | £1,000.00         | 04/05/2022                    | Ulster-Scots - Tuition Piping Tutor                  | 282        | £1,000.00         |
| 03/05/2022   | Donation (D McD)   | £1,000.00         | 05/05/2023                    | Ulster-Scots - Tuition Rent                          | 285        | £600.00           |
| 09/05/2022   | Amazon Smile Donation  | £8.53             | 16/05/2023                    | Ulster-Scots - Tuition Drumming Tutor                | 283        | £1,000.00         |
| 06/06/2022   | DBRDA - Queen's Platinum Jubilee Event (4 June 2022)                   | £250.00           | 10/06/2022                    | Bank Charges   | BACS       | £15.10            |
| 09/08/2022   | DBRDA - Community Festival (28 July 2022)                              | £250.00           | 02/08/2022                    | Eric McGaw - Kilt                                    | BACS       | £295.00           |
| 16/08/2022   | Amazon Smile Donation  | £9.49             | 19/08/2022                    | Esseys - Bagpipe Bag                                 | BACS       | £124.00           |
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|  | <i>Credit Union from 2021</i>  | £9,885.48         |                               | <i>Credit Union as of 31/12/2022</i>                 |            | £5,400.00         |
|  | <i>Bank Balance from 2021</i>  | £7,115.88         |                               | <i>Bank Balances as of 31/12/2022</i>                |            | £2,720.43         |
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|  |  |                   |                               | <i>* Remaining Loan Balance</i>                      |            | £8,720.00         |
|  |  |                   |                               | <i>* Balance as of 31/12/2022 Incl Loan Balance</i>  |            | £20,191.31        |
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