

Carrickfergus Community Church

Northern Ireland · Charity number 103301

Details

Known as	Carrick Community Church
Status	Received
Registered	2015-08-04
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

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Activities

Purposes: To propagate the Christian faith and to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ as revealed through the Holy Scriptures by all means of communication, whether visual, verbal or written. To provide for preaching, teaching and fostering the growth of the Christian religion in Carrickfergus and such other places as the Trustees may decide and to licence and ordain Pastors and Ministers, to carry on the work of evangelism, to promote missionary work in all places, to carry on the organisation of churches and foster their development and local sovereignty and independence. To stand possessed of premises forming part of the Trust Fund and to allow the same to be used as a place for public worship of God and for preaching the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to the principles and usages of the Church.

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

How the charity works: Community development, Religious activities, Volunteer development, Youth development

Who the charity helps: Children (5-13 year olds), General public, Older people, Overseas/developing countries, Preschool (0-5 year olds), Voluntary and community sector, Volunteers, Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£96,880	£96,880	£0	1
2024-12-31	£94,685	£94,685	£0	1

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mrs Andree Martin		
Mrs Lynn Mckenzie		
Pastor Sandra Clarke		
Pastor Trevor Clarke		

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Accounts



GENERAL - INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2025

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Balance 2024 b/f	4,621.17	Tithing out	5,240.00
January	3,280.20	Pastor James - Wages	20,167.36
February	3,787.70	- Tax	2,280.40
March	4,765.10	- Nat Ins	911.84
April	3,326.00	- Pension Contributions	2,223.00
May	3,425.00	Insurances 50%	1,862.50
June	5,203.90	Transfer to centre	18,000.00
July	3,752.10	Grass cutting + dump runs	470.00
August	3,615.40	Copyright Licence	299.86
September	3,485.50	Hospitality	338.95
October	3,900.70	Bank charges	204.69
November	3,152.20	Church Tithe Envelopes	102.00
December	3,153.00	Church décor/maintenance	135.00
		Computer expenses	387.80
Total Tithes and Offerings	44,846.80		
Weddings + Christenings	150.00		
Donation	3,500.00		
Rent from Open Door Centre	4,000.00		
PA Hire	150.00		
Room Hire	5,008.50		
		Total Expenditure	52,623.40
		Balance	9,653.07
	<u>£62,276.47</u>		<u>£62,276.47</u>

Signed Andrew O'Keefe
Church Treasurer

Date 12th February 2026

Checked by David Thompson
David Thompson - Inpartnership

Date 12th February 2026





BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT
FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2025

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Balance c/f 2024	7,204.74	Tithing out	850.00
Donations	8,500.00	Bank loan repayments	8,277.95
Fundraising Sales	3,156.00	A K Services - Boiler services	348.00
From Congregation - Standing Orders for loan	3,545.00	SSE Airtricity Gas Heating	1,124.70
From Congregation - Cash for loan	1,895.00	365 Fire Security	1,009.74
Collecting Cans	58.58	Burglar Alarm	183.60
		Solar panels for Cameras	378.43
		Furnishings	265.30
		Roof Repairs	4,150.00
		PHS Group - mats	516.82
		Window Glass	380.00
		Maintenance/Repairs	1,316.64
		Sound equipment	335.97
		D W Doors shutter repairs	373.20
		Sundries	86.62
		Bank Fees	84.52
		Total Expenditure	19,681.49
		Balance	4,677.83
	<u>24,359.32</u>		<u>24,359.32</u>

Signed Andree M. H.
Church Treasurer

Checked by D. Thompson
David Thompson - Inpartnership

Date 12th February 2026

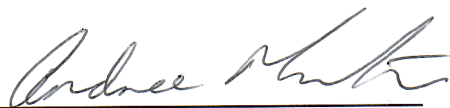
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FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2025

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Balance c/f 2024	1,728.54	Love Gifts	
Tithe from General a/c	5,240.00	Love gift to Founding Pastors	500.00
Tithe from Building Fund	850.00	Evangelical Alliance	100.00
		NI Chest Heart & Stroke	40.00
		NI Hospice	30.00
		Dementia NI	30.00
		NI Childrens Hospice	30.00
		Shelter UK	30.00
		Love Gifts	236.55
		Missionary Offering Support	
Missionary Offerings	940.00	Carrickfergus Baby Bank	1,480.00
Breakfast Club donations	204.00	Sunnylands Primary School Breakfast Club	600.00
		Helping Hands - Phillipines	1,900.00
		Outreach Expenses	
Donation to Closer	500.00	Closer Outreach	1,700.75
Unpaid cheque	32.00	Summer BBQ	271.71
Mid and East Antrim Tree Grant 24	750.00	Christmas Tree Outreach	1,579.48
		Over 60s Christmas Dinner	106.64
		Christmas Gifts	484.18
		Expenses	
		Printing/Bibles	320.24
		Bank Fees	45.96
		Total Expenditure	9,485.51
		Balance	759.03
	<u>10,244.54</u>		<u>10,244.54</u>

Signed


Church Treasurer

Date

12th February 2026

Checked by


David Thompson - Inpartnership

Date

12th February 2026

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FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2024

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Balance c/f 2023	1,959.18	Love Gifts	
Tithe from General a/c	4,046.00	Love gift to Founding Pastors	600.00
Tithe from Building Fund	1,000.00	Carrick Greengrocers	175.00
		Sports Chaplaincy	100.00
		Evangelical Alliance	100.00
		Love Gifts	280.00
		Missionary Offering Support	
Missionary Offerings	902.30	Carrickfergus Baby Bank	1,150.00
Breakfast Club donations	204.00	Sunnylands Primary School Breakfast Club	600.00
		Helping Hands - Phillipines	1,700.00
		Outreach Expenses	
		Closer Outreach	461.53
		YMCA Outreach	114.00
Mid and East Antrim Tree Grant 23/24	2,150.00	Christmas Tree Outreach	1,709.69
		Over 60s Christmas Dinner	285.66
		Christmas events	265.90
		Expenses	
		Conference costs	942.33
		Bank Fees	48.83
		Total Expenditure	8,532.94
		Balance	1,728.54
	<u><u>10,261.48</u></u>		<u><u>10,261.48</u></u>

Signed *Robee Martin*
Church Treasurer

Date 12th Feb 2025

Checked by *D.P. Thompson*
David Thompson - Inpartnership

Date 12/2/2025



BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT
FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2024

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Balance c/f 2023	10,229.57	Tithing out	1,000.00
Donations	3,240.00	Transfer to General Account	4,000.00
HMRC Gift Aid tax back	8,201.33	Bank loan repayments	8,468.00
Sales	2,913.00	John Campbell & Sons Car Park	6,600.00
From Congregation - Standing Orders for loan	3,680.00	A K Services - Boiler services	200.00
From Congregation - Cash for loan	1,975.00	SSE Airtricity Gas Heating	1,158.96
Easyfundraising	21.33	365 Fire Security	1,410.00
Collecting Cans	33.00	Phone + cameras	317.94
Mascott Construction - Use of car park	3,000.00	Furnishings	631.50
Barn United -Room Hire	1,500.00	Roof Repairs and cleaning	1,090.00
Insurance Claim	249.00	PHS Group - mats	419.72
Craft Fair	142.10	Ad a Tint - Windows	490.00
		Maintenance/Repairs	990.09
		D W Doors shutters	775.20
		Sundries	341.15
		Bank Fees	87.03
		Total Expenditure	27,979.59
		Balance	7,204.74
	<u>35,184.33</u>		<u>35,184.33</u>

Signed 
Church Treasurer

Date 12th Feb 2025

Checked by 
David Thompson - Inpartnership

Date 12/2/2025

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<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Balance 2022 b/f	5332.84	Tithing out	3,991.00
January	3,919.40	Pastor James - Wages	17,359.68
February	2,880.10	- Tax	1,732.80
March	2,860.90	- Nat Ins	1,039.32
April	3,850.00	- Pension Contributions	2,080.00
May	3,049.70	Insurances	1,742.98
June	3,099.00	Transfer to centre	10,000.00
July	3,103.00	Live Here Love Here Expenditure	1,324.73
August	3,027.70	Sound Equipment + training	5,611.91
September	3,919.80	Grass cutting + dump runs	275.00
October	3,544.20	Copyright Licence	278.30
November	2,593.50	Hospitality	390.02
December	3,628.40	Bank charges	163.10
Total Tithes and Offerings	39,475.70	Church Tithe Envelopes	90.00
Sound Equipment + training Grant	5400.00	Church décor/maintenance	1,201.87
Mencap Grant	1300.00	Kids Church equipment + expenses	989.67
Transfer from Building Fund	3000.00	Computer expenses	321.18
Recharges	1069.99	Stationery	401.62
PA Hire	450.00	Recharges	1,069.99
Google payments	0.14	Sundries	250.55
		Total Expenditure	50,313.72
		Balance	5,714.95
	<u>£56,028.67</u>		<u>£56,028.67</u>

Signed _____
Church Treasurer

Date _____

Checked by _____
David Thompson - Inpartnership

Date _____

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Annual report

Aim and Purposes

Carrickfergus Church (CCC) exists to provide worship services and be embedded in the community of Carrickfergus. It has the responsibility of working with Pastor James Clarke and designated Leaders in promoting the work of the church and maintaining associated buildings.

Objectives and Activities

CCC is committed to including whoever would like to join them in worship services where worship, preaching, prayer and support are practised weekly.

CCC have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, and in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we aim to include people to live out their faith as part of our church by the following activities.

Our activities include but are not limited to:

- Sunday services open to all and free of charge with crèche and kid's facilities provided for all children up to the end of their Primary School education.
- We run midweek Connect groups for adults and youth.
- Food collections for distribution at seasonal times for those in need.
- Missionary offering to support local and worldwide missionaries
- Music Academy - connects and builds relationships with other local musicians and creatives both inside and outside of the church. We aim to share resources, host guest musicians and worship leaders
- Seasonal events - Community Christmas Tree, Easter week of family activities, Sports Sunday

Carrickfergus Community Church is a member of Evangelical Alliance, International Gospel Outreach and Associated Ministers Fellowship which enables us to be part of a greater work both in our area and worldwide.

All our activities are advertised on our website and social media and are open to all in the community.

Achievements and Performance

Pastors and Leaders

During 2023; Pastor James Clarke led the church including the highlights and challenges of maintaining the new building opening and Sunday Services with a growing congregation.

Worship and Prayer

Worship and prayer remain a focal point during our church services and day to day activities. Our worship is led by Ian McKenzie and a team of 10 musicians, vocalists, sound technicians and av technicians.

The Church Building

The church building remains in good working order with some work still to be completed in the carpark as finances allow.

The Outreach Centre

Community groups continued meeting in the Open Door Centre and we saw most groups grow to capacity; participants report the need and relevance of the groups.

Pastoral Care

The leadership team remains in touch with congregation members via Connect groups, messaging and one to one meetings.

Mission and Evangelism

Our main mission work is run via our outreach charity The Open Door Centre which houses weekly activities and events for our community. It has its own charitable status and more details can be found in its own annual report.

We believe in supporting local and international missionaries through financial giving and practical efforts. Our monthly missionary collection supports Helping Hands and Carrickfergus BabyBank; it also supports other local works as and when necessary. In 2023, we held special services for the missionaries in both organisations to share their work and to receive special collections.

Teams

We would like to thank everyone who works so hard to make our church an energetic and vibrant community of faith. We would like to mention all the leaders who give their time freely to benefit both the smooth running of programs and the pastoral care of others. Their invaluable contribution of time and effort keeps the church operational.

Financial Review

Reserves, Structure, governance and management information are contained in the Independent Examiners Report.

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Annual return

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees/Elders of Carrickfergus Community Church

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year and that an independent examination is needed.

As an Independent Examiner, it is my responsibility to:

Examine the accounts

- To follow the procedures laid down by the Charity Commission
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination, carried out on the 18th February 2024, was in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission. The 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 a Trustee/Elder concerning such matters.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In the course of my examination, no matter came to my attention and therefore I am satisfied that Carrickfergus Community Church has kept a good standard of accounting procedures and I believe that the accounts give a true and fair view of the financial dealings of the charity.

D. J. Thompson

David Thompson
Inpartnership
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13th March, 2024