

Friends of Altnagelvin

Northern Ireland · Charity number 103421

Details

Status	Received
Registered	2015-08-14
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

Address
Altnagelvin Hospital
Trust Headquarters
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Website www.friendsofaltnagelvin.org

Activities

Purposes: The Object of the Charity shall be to assist in the provision of comforts for in-patients and out-patient of the hospital, and generally to support the charitable work of the said Altnagelvin Hospital.

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: Medical/health/sickness

Who the charity helps: General public

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£7,212	£445	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Elaine Mc Cracken		
Evelyn Smith		
Mr Peter Nicholl		
Mrs Hester Faulkner		

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Accounts

Friends of Altnagelvin

NIC103421

Financial Statements and Trustees' Report

**For the year ended
31 December 2024**

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Trustees' Report

For the year ended 31 December 2024

Trustees: Evelyn Smith
Elaine McCracken
Hester Faulkner
Peter Nicholl
Kanwar Panesar OBE (died 14th May 2025)

Charity Number: NIC103421

Address: Altnagelvin Hospital
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Londonderry
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Friends of Altnagelvin is governed by a constitution dated 1st April 2000 and registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland on 14th August 2015 under charity number NIC103421.

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Trustees' Report

For the year ended 31 December 2024 (cont'd)

The purpose of The Friends of Altnagelvin Charity (FOA) is to provide funding for the enhancement of the hospital experience for patients, relatives and staff.

Items are purchased which are over and above what the standard NHS procurement provides. Examples include televisions, children's play equipment, overnight chair-beds for relatives etc. The Charity does not provide medical equipment.

Each year, the committee issues an internal flyer to all departments/wards, inviting requests for appropriate items which meet the Charity's criteria. In general, no request is declined if it does not conflict with the following:

- A) Must not be an item normally supplied by the hospital
- B) Must not contravene NHS or Hospital health and safety regulations
- C) Must benefit the public (patients and visitors)
- D) Is within the prudent capabilities of the FOA available funds

The changeover to the new treasurer resulted in significant unexpected delays by the Charity's bank in granting access to both banking records and funds. Furthermore, the Trust's systems and procedures for procuring items on behalf of the Charity had become extremely complicated. As a result of both these issues, the FOA committee regretfully found it extremely difficult to fund purchases during the year. However, as the Trust was still holding significant FOA funds as a result of previous failed purchases, the Charity was able to approve a number of requests including furniture for the ICU relatives' room, items for dementia programs etc. Subsequent meetings and discussions in 2025 have now hopefully clarified and simplified the procurement process for items being funded by the Charity.

Finally, the trustees would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to Mr Kanwar Panesar who sadly passed away in May 2025. Mr Panesar was a dedicated and much respected consultant surgeon in Altnagelvin Hospital for most of his working life. In more recent years he was President of The Friends of Altnagelvin charity. He will be very sadly missed.

Friends of Altnagelvin

Trustees' Report

For the year ended 31 December 2024 (cont'd)

The results of the charity's activities during the year and of its position at the year-end are included in the Receipts and payments account on page 6 and the Statement of assets and liabilities on page 7.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 27 October 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



Elaine McCracken
Trustee



Peter Nicholl
Trustee

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Friends of Altnagelvin

We report on the accounts of Friends of Altnagelvin for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on pages 6 to 7.

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 our 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 our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

We have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and our 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.

Our 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.

Our role is to state whether any material matters have come to our attention giving us cause to believe:

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

**Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of
Friends of Altnagelvin (cont'd)**

Independent examiner's statement

We have completed our 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, we have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.



Donaldson & Thompson
Chartered Accountants
3 Limavady Road
Londonderry
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Date: 27 October 2025

Friends of Altnagelvin

Receipts and payments account

For the year ended 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 31 December 2024	Total 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£
<u>Receipts</u>				
Donations & Collections	3,061		3,061	11,116
In Memoriam	2,620		2,620	7,948
Compensation NI Courts & Tribunals	1,428		1,428	3,505
Bank Interest	103		103	62
			-	
Total receipts	7,212	-	7,212	22,631
<u>Payments</u>				
Altnagelvin Trust - Ward Donations	-		-	408
Postage & Secretarial	-		-	87
Website Costs	173		173	
Trustee Insurance	204		204	
Bank Charges	68		68	72
			-	
			-	
Total payments	445	-	445	567
Net receipts/(payments)	6,767	-	6,767	22,064
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	6,767	-	6,767	22,064

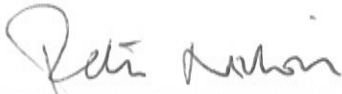
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Statement of assets and liabilities

For the year ended 31 December 2024

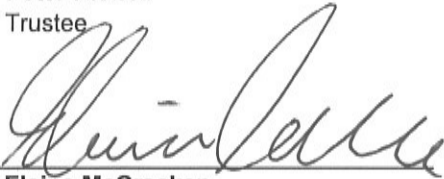
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 31 December 2024	Total 31 December 2023
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Funds reconciliation				
Accumulated fund at 01.01.2024	36,634	-	36,634	14,570
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	6,767	-	6,767	22,064
Accumulated fund at 31.12.2024	<u>43,401</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,401</u>	<u>36,634</u>
Bank & cash balances				
Danske Bank Current account	43,401	-	43,401	36,634
	<u>43,401</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,401</u>	<u>36,634</u>

Approved by the Trustees on 27 October 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



Peter Nicholl

Trustee



Elaine McCracken

Trustee

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Independent Examiners	Moore (NI) LLP 21/23 Clarendon Street Londonderry BT48 7EP	

FRIENDS OF ALTNAGELVIN

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FRIENDS OF ALTNAGELVIN

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Moore (NI) LLP
Chartered Accountants
Date: 27th February 2024

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FRIENDS OF ALTNAGELVIN

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	<u>Note</u>	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £
Receipts			
Donations		11,116	13,501
In Memoriam		7,948	12,024
Compensation NI Courts & Tribunals		3,505	3,333
Bank interest		62	81
Total		<u>22,631</u>	<u>28,939</u>
Payments			
Altnagelvin Trust – Ward Donations		408	44,454
Postage & Secretarial		87	78
Bank charges		72	69
Total		<u>567</u>	<u>44,601</u>
Net of receipts/(payments)		22,064	(15,662)
Reconciliation of funds:			
Cash funds last year end		14,570	30,232
Cash funds this year end		<u>36,634</u>	<u>14,570</u>

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**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023**

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Cash funds		
Current account	36,634	14,570

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Brian Moran
Treasurer

Date: 27th February 2024

Charity Reference No. NIC 103421

Friends of Altnagelvin

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Annual report

Friends of Altnagelvin

(Friends for Good)

Annual Report 2023

1) Altnagelvin Hospital

2) Friends of Altnagelvin Charity

Objectives

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3) Aims

Each year the committee issues an internal flyer to all clinical heads of departments/wards seeking requests for items which would enhance the patient/visitor experience.

No pre-selection or exclusions are applied, all departments are contacted.

In general no request is declined if it does not conflict with the following criteria;

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4) Achievements

The Charity continued to support Trauma and Orthopaedics in enhancing its Dementia Programme with the addition of ' Fall Guards' and Stimulation Items. Other donations included Personal-Mini Safes for patients' personal items, Recliner for Physio. Dept., and NewBorn Baby Sound Monitors for Neo-Natal.

Funds for Ward Requests are deposited in the Trust's 'Gifts and Endowments' Fund. The Trust's Supplies Dept. can then draw on these funds for purchases as wards requisition.

During 2023 Trust Finance modified the system and created one large account which any ward can access. This has caused the Charity some problems in ensuring it's funds are not diluted. A new 'Just in time' system has had to be set up to ensure the funds earmarked for the Charity only.

Fundraising activity during the year was confined to ;

- A) Craft sales
- B) In Memoriums

5) Financial Review

Annual income for 2023 was £ 22,631. This was a drop from 2022 (£ 28, 839) but was still higher than the pre Covid years.

6) Committee

The Committee met five times in 2023 with the A.G.M. held in September .

Our Treasurer, Mr Brian Moran, stepped doen from the Charity at the end of Financial Year ending in December 2023. He has been replaced by Mr Peter Nicholl, an accountant of long standing.

No remuneration was paid to any member of the committee.
Expenses for the year 2023 amounted to £ 86.93p for postage.

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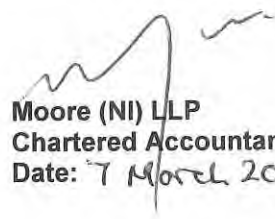
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Moore (NI) LLP
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Date: 7 March 2023

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	<u>Note</u>	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £
Receipts			
Donations		13,501	3,992
In Memoriam		12,024	11,887
Compensation NI Courts & Tribunals		3,333	2,950
Bank interest		81	41
Total		<u>28,939</u>	<u>18,870</u>
Payments			
Altnagelvin Trust – Ward Donations		44,454	3,344
Postage & Secretarial		78	244
Bank charges		69	66
Total		<u>44,601</u>	<u>3,654</u>
Net of receipts/(payments)		(15,662)	15,216
Reconciliation of funds:			
Cash funds last year end		30,232	15,016
Cash funds this year end		<u>14,570</u>	<u>30,232</u>

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Two Projects funded during the year were;

- a) Dementia Aids for the Trauma Unit of Orthopaedics.
- b) The refurbishment of the ICU Relative's Room which had been re-purposed during Covid.

3) Aims

The committee for the F.O.A. meet four times a year to review progress and approve activities, expenditures and the Annual Report. Attendance is 80% to 90% on each occasion.

This was suspended during Covid but returned to normal during 2022, the AGM was held in September.

Each year the committee issues an internal flyer to all clinical heads of departments/wards seeking requests for items which would enhance the patient/visitor experience. During 2022 two rounds of funding took place

No pre-selection or exclusions are applied, all departments are contacted.

Requests are collated with budget costs and presented to the full committee

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4) Achievements

During the 2022 financial year the committee reviewed 16 requests for financial assistance. Of these all were approved for funding amounting to £ 44,459

This funding was deposited in the Hospital's 'Endowments and Gifts' account. This enables clinical managers to access their request via the Hospital's (NHS) ordering system. This ensures the best prices are available due to NHS bulk contracts, also all health and safety and technical issues are met.

During the year the committee organised fundraising activities helped by family and friends.

- a) Collection boxes
- b) In Memoriums
- c) Craft Sales

5) Financial Review

Annual Income for 2022 amounted to £28,959 showing an increase from 2021 of 53.3%. Ward funding requests amounted to £44,459.

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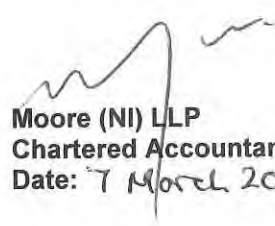
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Our role is to state whether any material matters have come to our attention giving us cause to believe:

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.

Independent examiner's statement

We have completed our 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, we have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.


Moore (NI) LLP
Chartered Accountants
Date: 7 March 2023

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FRIENDS OF ALTNAGELVIN

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	<u>Note</u>	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £
Receipts			
Donations		13,501	3,992
In Memoriam		12,024	11,887
Compensation NI Courts & Tribunals		3,333	2,950
Bank interest		81	41
Total		<u>28,939</u>	<u>18,870</u>
Payments			
Altnagelvin Trust – Ward Donations		44,454	3,344
Postage & Secretarial		78	244
Bank charges		69	66
Total		<u>44,601</u>	<u>3,654</u>
Net of receipts/(payments)		(15,662)	15,216
Reconciliation of funds:			
Cash funds last year end		30,232	15,016
Cash funds this year end		<u>14,570</u>	<u>30,232</u>

FRIENDS OF ALTNAGELVIN

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £
Cash funds		
Current account	<u>14,570</u>	<u>30,232</u>

The accounts were approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Brian Moran
Treasurer

Date:

Charity Reference No. NIC 103421