

Corcrain Flute Band

Northern Ireland · Charity number 103424

Details

Known as	CFB
Status	Received
Registered	2016-01-26
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

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Activities

Purposes: The band is established to enhance and encourage the education of its members in the Musical Arts, in particular, the art of playing all aspects of flute and drum music and culture. In particular: (a) Advance the playing of all members for those that require personal tuition via its current members or external tuition. (b) To educate the general public in the said art by promoting awareness of flute band music in Northern Ireland and abroad by the presentation of concerts and other activities.

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

How the charity works: Arts, Cultural, Education/training, Gender, Heritage/historical, Sport/recreation, Youth development

Who the charity helps: Adult training, Children (5-13 year olds), General public, Men, Older people, Parents, Women, Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-09-30	£2,878	£3,920	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Emma Brownlee		
John Mccann		
Kenny Shields		
Lucy Lapham		
Meg Mckeown		
Mr Albert Nichol		
Mr Christopher Hoy		
Sam Hoy		

Corcraín Flute Band

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Accounts

Corcraín Flute Band Summary of Accounts 2024-2025

Opening Balance 01/10/24

17,368.26

Closing Balance 30/09/25

16,325.96

01/10/24 - 30/09/25	Income
Dues	1,803.00
Scouts Event	25.00
Concerts	300.00
Parades	750.00
Total Income	2,878.00

01/10/24 - 30/09/25	Expenditure
Secretary Expenses	100.10
Band Meal	1,150.00
Uniform Expenses	70.00
Christmas Vouchers	120.00
Committee Meeting Expenses	185.70
University Students	300.00
Rent	500.00
Charity Donation	100.00
Bank Fees	109.50
Librarian Expenses	11.00
Flute Band Association of NI	35.00
NIBA	90.00
Insurance	546.00
Armagh Bands Forum Fees	20.00
Equipment	133.00
Parade Expenses	150.00
Instrument Repairs	300.00
Total Expenditure	3,920.30

Chairman **John McCann**

Treasurer **Meg McKeown**

Date **10/10/2025**

Assets & Liabilities Oct 2024 - Sept 2025

Cash Funds £16,325

Liabilities -

Assets held by band for charities own uses £32,000

£48,325

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Opening Balance 01/10/23

17,339.53

Closing Balance 30/09/24

17,368.26

01/10/23 - 30/09/24	Income
Insurance Claim	11,650.00
Dues	1,922.00
Parades	750.00
Member Donation	100.00
Total Income	14,422.00

01/10/23 - 30/09/24	Expenditure
New Instrument with Insurance Claim	11,770.00
Retirement Gifts	200.00
Secretary Expenses	323.10
Christmas Expenses	200.00
Instrument Repairs	597.38
Instrument Insurance	434.00
Parade Expenses	220.00
Bank Fees	129.15
Committee Meeting Expenses	120.00
Uniform Expenses	90.00
NIBA	90.00
Player Payment	84.00
Librarian Expenses	80.64
Flute Band Association of NI	35.00
Armagh Bands Forum Fees	20.00
Total Expenditure	14,393.27

Chairman **John McCann**
Treasurer **Meg McKeown**
Date **11/10/2024**

Corcraín Flute Band Statement of Assets & Liabilities Oct 2023 - Sept 2024

	Restricted	Unrestricted
Cash Funds	-	£17,368.26
Liabilities	-	-
Assets held by band for charities own use	-	£32,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS	-	£49,368.26

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Annual report

Corcraín Flute Band

Registered Charity NIC 103424

Hon. Secretary

15 Charnwood Grange

Portadown. BT635TU

Trustees Report Corcraín Flute Band NIC 103424

1st

October 2023 to 30th September 2024

The name of the Charity is Corcraín Flute Band.

The purpose of the Charity is to enhance and encourage its members in the musical arts, in particular the art of playing all aspects of flute and drum music and Ulster Scots culture;

A, advance the playing of all members for those that require personal tuition via its current members or external tuition and to improve the skills and confidence and integration into a group of all ages having an interest in their Ulster Scots culture.

B to educate the general public in the said art by promoting awareness of flute band music and Ulster Scots culture in Northern Ireland and abroad by the presentation of concerts and other activities. In the year under review these objectives have been followed.

The Trustees at the time of this report are John McCann, Kenneth Shields, Emma Hoy, Meg Mckeown, David Blair, Albert Nicholl, Lucy Lapham and Alistair Cairns. There are therefore 8 Trustees of Corcraín Flute Band.

Corcraín Flute Band continues to entertain the public in Northern Ireland within the parameters of Public Benefit, no concerts or parades were performed outside Northern Ireland. All of the engagements have taken place throughout Co. Armagh with the exception of R B P parade held in Ballygawley, Co. Tyrone. In total, 10 engagements were fulfilled to include 4 parades and 6 concerts, including 2 Christmas Carol concerts, one of which was in a Nursing Home. Evidence as to the helpful nature of these performances is by way of positive response from audience and spectators and repeat bookings. The concert held in a local school had 3.8 k views on the bands' Facebook page, which is a tremendous acknowledgement of our music. As with most other part flute bands, recruitment of members willing to learn to read music and play an instrument is a continuous challenge. Membership has increased by 4 with returning members and 2 learners and this has allowed the conductor to provide a

good sound balance to the concerts and parades.

The Trustees are conversant with the requirements of The Charity Commission public benefit rules and fully comply.

Corcraín Flute Band continues to derive a satisfactory income from its activities, chiefly members donations and from parades and concerts, and provides adequate resources to address all band costs without resorting to drawing upon capital. An insurance claim of a broken contrabass flute of £11650 increased income but this was spent on a new contrabass flute. The Trustees are content to work within the parameters of income.

No Charity funds are in deficit nor would the Charity embark on any exercise which would place assets at risk.

Signed

K Shields

Hon. Secretary

Corcraín Flute Band

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Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Corcraín Flute Band NIC 103424

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 30 September 2024.

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 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.

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.

S. Clarke

Name: Mrs S Clarke FCA

Qualification Chartered Accountant

Address: 1 Moss Park
Richhill
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BT61 9PT

Date: 12th November 2024

Corcraín Flute Band

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Accounts

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Opening Balance 01/10/22	18,156.43
Closing Balance 30/09/23	17,339.53

01/10/22 - 30/09/23	Income
Dues	1,517.00
Parades	450.00
ABC Council Grant	400.00
Total Income	2,367.00

01/10/22 - 30/09/23	Expenditure
Coronation Party Expenses	1,190.00
Hall Rent	500.00
Insurance	434.00
Repairs	300.00
Bank Fees	112.65
Player Gift for University	100.00
Vouchers for Conductor	100.00
Charity Donations	100.00
Parade Expenses	100.00
NIBA	60.00
Secretary Stationary Expenses	60.00
Committee Meeting Expenses	52.25
Armagh Bands Forum Fees	40.00
Flute Band Association of NI	35.00
Total Expenditure	3,183.90

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Trustees Report Corcrair Flute Band NIC 103424

1st October 2022 to 30th September 2023

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the AGM of Corcrair Flute Band which was held in the band hall on Monday 30 October 2023. Reports from the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer was presented, discussed and adopted.

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The direct benefit is that the audience are introduced to high quality musical experience during our concerts and we receive very positive feedback from our audience, many of whom are returning supporters.

The Trustees at the time of this report are John McCann, Kenneth Shields, Emma Hoy, Meg Flannigan, David Blair and Albert Nicholl. There are therefore 6 Trustees of Corcrair Flute Band.

Corcrair Flute Band continues to entertain the public in Northern Ireland within the parameters of Public Benefit, no concerts or parades were performed outside Northern Ireland. Evidence as to the helpful nature of these performances is by way of positive response from audience and spectators.

The Trustees are conversant with the requirements of The Charity Commission public benefit rules and fully comply.

Due to difficulties in recruiting new members, returning members, and with a small membership, the Band was unable to fulfill two main parades in July and a concert in Belfast, resulting in a significant loss in revenue.

Despite this loss in revenue the Band continues to derive a satisfactory income mainly from membership contributions and also from the one parade in August and a Sunday concert in Richhill. This income provided adequate resources to address all band costs without resorting to drawing upon capital. The Trustees are content to work within the parameters of income. Banding activities continued as normal, with 3 parades and 5 concerts performed, 2 more concerts than in the previous year. The band held a dinner to celebrate His Majesty King Charles 111 Coronation, assisted with funding from Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough Council in September.

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Signed

Hon. Secretary 30 September 2023

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S. Clarke.

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Date: 21st November 2023