

Doagh/Kilbride/St. Bride/Connor/Church of Ireland

Northern Ireland · Charity number 103570

Details

Status Received

Registered 2015-06-18

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

Contact

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Activities

Purposes: The principal function is to support the advancement of the Christian religion by promoting through the work of the Parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. Being open to and engaging with society as a whole and offering support for those needing help is fundamental to the practical delivery of the tenets of Christianity. As a result of activity in pursuit of the advancement of the Christian religion, the Parish has custody of a large body of records, materials and artefacts of significance to the cultural heritage, the maintenance of which is undertaken by the Parish as a secondary charitable purpose.

What the charity does: The advancement of religion

How the charity works: Religious activities

Who the charity helps: General public

Finances

| Period end | Income | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|----------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2025-12-31 | £115,879 | £78,265 | £0 | 0 |
| 2024-12-31 | £109,892 | £83,737 | £0 | 0 |

Trustees

| Name | Role | Appointed |
|------------------|------|-----------|
| Bill Castles | | |
| Carol Ireland | | |
| David Holmes | | |
| Fiona Charlton | | |
| George Mcmillan | | |
| Ivan Topping | | |
| Jimmy Christie | | |
| Joan Lutton | | |
| Karen Castles | | |
| Lillian Lyttle | | |
| Mr David Rea | | |
| Mr George Rea | | |
| Nigel Cinnamon | | |
| Stewart Henry | | |
| Valerie Bryans | | |
| William Robinson | | |

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Accounts

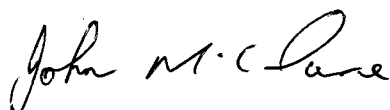
Kilbride Parish church**Receipts and payments Account for the year ending 31st December 2025**

| | 2025 £ | 2024 £ |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| Receipts | | |
| Freewill Offerings | 75,333 | 67,351 |
| Loose Collections | 3,790 | 3,161 |
| Gifts/donations/grants | 4,150 | 4,584 |
| Gift aid returns | 15,275 | 15,124 |
| Hall hire | 1,035 | 1,400 |
| Bank interest | 212 | 100 |
| Investment income | 2,167 | 2,124 |
| Income for Charity/third parties | 1,618 | 2,135 |
| Insurance claim | - | 2,092 |
| Utilities refund | 3 | 1,621 |
| Rent from rectory | <u>12,296</u> | <u>10,200</u> |
| Total receipts | 115,879 | 109,892 |
| Payments | | |
| Wages, salaries and other entitlements | 37,693 | 35,808 |
| Diocesan costs and assessments | 10,395 | 9,900 |
| Church running costs | 24,083 | 33,816 |
| Charitable donations/third parties | <u>6,094</u> | <u>4,213</u> |
| Total Payments | 78,265 | 83,737 |
| | | |
| Excess of receipts over payments for year | 37,614 | 26,155 |
| | | |
| Opening balance (see note 2) | 52,257 | 26,102 |
| Closing balance (see note 2) | 89,871 | 52,257 |

Investment income above includes £64 which is restricted (2024: £69). This increased restricted funds from £2,020 at 31 December 2024 to £2,084 at 31 December 2025, included in the above balances.

Signed on behalf of trustees:**Rev J McClure**

Minister in charge

**Ivan Topping**

Hon. Sec.

**Date**

1.3.26

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Accounts

Kilbride Parish Church

Trustees' Annual report and statement of receipts and payments, assets and liabilities

For year ended 31st December 2024

Charities number 103570

Annual report and financial statements for year ended 31st December 2024

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Kilbride Parish Church

References and administrative details:

Charity Name

Kilbride Parish Church

Charity registration number

103570

Contact address

Kilbride Road
Doagh

Trustees

Mrs K Henry

Mr R McDonald. left 17.3.24

Mr J Wilson

Mr C Gibson. resigned 30.9.24

Mrs L Lyttle

Mr N Cinnamon

Mr W Robinson

Mr I Topping

Mr D Holmes

Mrs H McDonald. left 17.3.24

Mrs C Ireland

Mrs D Hurst. left 17.3.24

Mrs Iris McCormick

Mrs Valerie Bryans

Mrs Fiona Charlton appointed 17.3.24

Mrs Karen Castles appointed 17.3.24

Mrs Avril Nicholl appointed 17.3.24

Mr Jim Johnston appointed 17.3.24

Mr James Christy. appointed 1.10.24

Principal office- bearers

Clergy:

vacant

Church Secretary

Mr I Topping

Church Treasurer

Mrs L Lyttle

Church-warden – People

Mrs I McCormick & Mr J Christy

Church warden - Glebe

Mr J Wilson & Mr W Robinson

Independent Examiner

CG Taggart Accountancy Services

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditor

17 Cypress Crescent

Donaghadee

Co Down

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Bankers

Danske Bank

18, The Square

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Kilbride Parish Church

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2024

The trustees present the Annual report and statements of receipts and payments, assets and liabilities for Kilbride Parish Church for the year ended 31st December 2024.

Objectives and Activities

The charitable purpose of the Church of Ireland is the advancement of religion.

The principal function of Kilbride Parish Church is to support the advancement of the Christian religion by promoting, through the work of the church, the whole mission of the church pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. Being open to and engaging with society as a whole and offering support for those needing help are fundamental to the practical delivery of the benefits of Christianity.

As a result of activity in the pursuit of the advancement of the Christian religion, Kilbride Parish Church has custody of property, records, materials and artefacts of significance to the cultural and religious heritage, the maintenance of which is undertaken by the Select Vestry of Kilbride Parish Church.

Achievements, Performance & Public benefit

During the past year our rector in charge has been active in visiting parishioners and schools within the parish. Strong links have been forged with 4 local primary schools involving the pupils in activities at the church. They each designed and build window displays to exhibit during our commemorations in November as well as asking for two special carol services prior to Christmas which both filled the church to capacity. At harvest we held a lunch to raise money for the local Women's aid group when we collected an amazing £750 for their work with people in need. All through December we asked parishioners to donate food for the Trussell food bank and the trolley was filled many times over, it was regularly taken to their Newtownabbey depot. Many of our choir members joined with the local Christian Aid coordinator to sing Christmas carols at Belfast Airport to raise money for the organisation and managed to collect £730 in just 2 hours. All the parish groups have been ongoing throughout the year, the Ladies Group, the Watchmen, and the Ramblers attracting both members and visitors to the meetings while the youth organisation for Scouting and Guiding meet in our hall each week.

Kilbride Parish Church

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2024 (continued)

Financial review:

The Parish is currently in a healthy financial position. During the past year the numbers attending church have increased and many more members have joined the direct giving scheme increasing the take up to almost 40%. We find that these contributors are more generous in their giving and although the overall Freewill offering is down slightly it is supplemented by an increased Gift Aid refund which increased 18% in the year past. Diocesan cost also reduced in 2024.

Without a full time rector we have saved a considerable amount of stipend each month as we pay a flat fee to the Minister in charge of the parish. The rectory was also vacant so made the decision to rent it out short term which contributed addition monies to our bank balance and saved the cost of ongoing utilities payments.

Going Concern

The trustees have reviewed the budgets for the year and are satisfied that there are adequate funds in place to ensure that the parish can continue its activities for a period of twelve months from the date of approval and the financial statements for the year ending 31st December 2024 can be signed off as a going concern.

Post Balance Sheet:

Parish funds have held up throughout this year and the sum held in the deposit account for contingencies and our investments through the RCB in Dublin give us confidence for the coming year.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document and Constitution of the Charity

Chapter III of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland governs Parishes and Parochial Organisation. The Select Vestry members are the Charity Trustees.

Recruitment and Appointment of Select Vestry (Trustees)

All members of the Church of Ireland who are over the age of 18 and are either resident within the parish or live elsewhere but have been accustomed members of the congregation for at least three months, may register as members of the general vestry of the parish, allowing them to attend and vote at meetings of the general vestry and to stand for election to the select vestry. Meetings of the general vestry are held at least once a year. The Select Vestry is elected as part of this General Vestry meeting. The Select Vestry will hold their positions for a period of one year. Select Vestry members may be re-elected annually and there is no limit on the number of terms which may be served.

Pay and remuneration

As we currently have no resident incumbent, the Minister in charge receives a flat fee which includes his travel expenses. The sexton and organist are self employed See note 5 for details of the amounts expended in the year ended 31 December 2024.

Kilbride Parish Church

Trustees' annual report for year ending 31st December 2024

Organisational structure

The Select Vestry is responsible for the day to day management of the Parish and consists of: The member of the clergy serving in the parish, the churchwardens and generally not more than twelve members of the general vestry who are elected at the Easter General Vestry.

The select vestry is chaired by the incumbent or other member of the clergy officiating in the Parish. Select Vestry members are responsible for making decisions on matters of general concern and importance to the parish including how funds are applied.

The select vestry meets at times fixed by the members or by the diocesan synod. Special meetings may be convened at any time by the chairperson on the churchwardens. In 2024 the select vestry met 7 times with an average attendance of 87%.

Compliance with Public benefit;

The Parish has given consideration to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered into during the year, while adhering to the government restrictions, have helped to achieve the Parish's purpose and objectives, as well as providing public benefit.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities:

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and statement of receipts and payments and the statement of assets and liabilities in accordance with the applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland with an income of less than £250,000 requires trustees to prepare a statement of receipts and payments and a statement of assets and liabilities for each financial year.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Parish's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time, the assets and liabilities of the Parish. They are also responsible for the safeguarding of the assets of the parish and hence for taking steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Rev J McClure

Minister in charge

Ivan Topping

Hon. Sec.

Date

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Kilbride Parish Church

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 7 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of 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 Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- 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.

Grace Taggart
CG Taggart Accountancy Services
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

17 Cypress Crescent
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BT21 0QG

10 March 2024

Kilbride Parish church**Receipts and payments Account for the year ending 31st December 2024**

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|--|----------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Receipts | | |
| Freewill Offerings | 67,351 | 69,623 |
| Loose Collections | 3,161 | 3,351 |
| Gifts/donations/grants | 4,584 | 5,224 |
| Gift aid returns | 15,124 | 12,755 |
| Hall hire | 1,400 | 1,010 |
| Bank interest | 100 | 56 |
| Investment income | 2,124 | 3,405 |
| Income for Charity/third parties | 2,135 | 3,215 |
| Insurance claim | 2,092 | 0 |
| Utilities refund | - 1,621 | 0 |
| Rent from rectory | 10,200 | 0 |
| Total receipts | 109,892 | 98,639 |
| Payments | | |
| Wages, salaries and other entitlements | 35,808 | 52,265 |
| Diocesan costs and assessments | 9,900 | 13,561 |
| Church running costs | 33,816 | 27,856 |
| Charitable donations/third parties | 4,213 | 4,470 |
| Total Payments | 83,737 | 98,152 |
| Excess of payments over receipts for year | 26,155 | 487 |
| Opening balance (see note 2) | 26,102 | 25,615 |
| closing balance (see note 2) | 52,257 | 26,102 |

Investment income above includes £69 which is restricted (2023: £60). This increased restricted funds from £1,950 at 31 December 2023 to £2,020 at 31 December 2024, included in the above balances.

Signed on behalf of trustees:

Rev J McClure

Minister in charge

Ivan Topping

Hon. Sec.

Date

Kilbride Parish Church

Statement of assets and liabilities as at 31st December 2024

| | £ | £ |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Cash funds | | |
| Current account | 25,578 | 9,148 |
| Deposit account | 15,004 | 15,004 |
| RB surplus funds account (restricted) | 2,020 | 1,950 |
| Rectory rental | 9,655 | 0 |
| Total cash funds (note 2) | 52,257 | 26,102 |

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Debtors – Gift Aid receivable | 13,000 | 12,000 |
| Investments in RCB/CIT unit Trusts | 122,750 | 118,999 |
| Rectory (restricted) (see below) | 300,000 | 300,000 |
| Total investments | 422,750 | 418,999 |

Assets retained for Parish own use (restricted):

| | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Church hall | 93,671 | 93,671 |
| Parish room (portacabin) | 25,000 | 25,000 |
| Less depreciation @ 10% per annum | (20,000) | (17,500) |
| Fixtures and fittings | 55,000 | 55,000 |
| Less depreciation @ 10%per annum | (44,000) | (38,500) |
| Storage unit | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| Less depreciation @ 10%per annum | (2,000) | (1,500) |
| Total assets retained for Parish's own use | 112,671 | 121,171 |

Signed on behalf of Trustees:

Rev J McClure

Minister in charge

Ivan Topping

Hon. Sec.

Date

Kilbride Parish Church

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2024

1. Accounting policies

Set out below are the principle accounting policies which have been adopted in the completion of the Receipts and Payments Account and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

a) Receipts and Payment account

All items of income and expenditure included within the receipts and payments account have been accounted for on a cash receipts basis.

b) Statement of Assets and Liabilities

i) Assets retained for Parish own use

The assets of the parish, retained for its own use comprise:-

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| | £ | £ |
| | Restricted funds | Restricted funds |
| Church Hall | 93,671 | 93,671 |
| Rectory | 225,000 | 225,000 |
| Storage unit | 3,000 | 3,500 |
| Parish Room (portacabin) | 5,000 | 7,500 |
| Fixtures and fittings | 11,000 | 16,500 |
| Church building | See below | See below |

The Church building and furniture are deemed to be Heritage assets as defined by the Charities SORP (FRS102).

These Heritage assets are not included in the statement of assets and liabilities as information on the cost or valuation is not available and such information cannot be obtained at a cost commensurate with the benefit to the users of the accounts and to the Parish.

The Church Hall is recognised at cost of construction/acquisition. No depreciation has been provided on the parish centre buildings as the current estimated residual value is not less than its carrying value and the remaining useful life currently exceeds 50 years.

The Rectory is recognised cost of acquisition. No depreciation value has been provided on the Rectory as the current estimated value is not less than its carrying value and the remaining useful life currently exceeds 50 years.

The Storage unit is recognised at cost of acquisition as at October 2020 and is depreciated on a straight line basis over a 10 year period.

The Parish room is recognised at deemed cost (estimated value at 31st December 2016) and is depreciated on a straight line basis over a period of 10 years.

Fixtures and fittings are recognised at deemed cost (estimated value at 31st December 2016) and is depreciated on a straight line basis over a period of 10 years.

Kilbride Parish Church

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2024 (continued)

ii) Investments

Fixed asset investments comprising investment properties, investments in equities (ordinary shares) and investments in RCB/CIT Unit trusts are initially recorded at cost and then subsequently stated at fair value at each year end date. Investments in unquoted investments are recorded at cost and are assessed annually for impairment.

The rectory, which is currently rented out, is recognised at a current value of around £300,000. Depreciation is not currently provided on investment property measured at fair value.

| 2. Reconciliation of Cash funds: | 2024 | 2023 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Total cash funds at beginning of year | 26,102 | 25,615 |
| Receipts for year | 109,892 | 98,639 |
| Payments for year | <u>(83,737)</u> | <u>(98,152)</u> |
| Total cash funds at end of year | 52,257 | 26,102 |

3.

| Investment Assets | 2024 | 2023 |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Investments in RCB/CIT Unit Trusts: | | |
| At beginning of year | 118,021 | 114,206 |
| Increase / (reduction) in value | <u>3,751</u> | <u>4,793</u> |
| At end of year | 121,750 | 118,999 |

Of the total of £122,750 (2023: £118,999), £55,670 relates to restricted funds (2023 £53,149) and £67,080 to unrestricted funds (2023: £65,850).

| 4. Collections for Third parties | 2024 | 2023 |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Christian Aid | 882 | 713 |
| Lent rural deanery service | 502 | 0 |
| Women's aid | 750 | 0 |
| McCabe Educational Trust | 0 | 48 |
| Rector's retirement gift | 0 | 1854 |
| Turkish Earthquake appeal | <u>0</u> | <u>600</u> |
| Totals | 1,253 | 3,215 |

The above amounts have been included in Receipts for the Year under 'Income for Charity/third parties' and in payments for the year under 'Charitable Donations/third parties'.

Kilbride Parish Church

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2024 (continued)

5. Transactions with the Trustees

No trustee or person related to a trustee received remuneration, benefits or reimbursement of expenses nor had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year.

6. Governance costs

Governance costs of £1,265 (2023 - £1,873) were incurred during the year of which £475 (2023 - £450) relates to fees paid to the independent examiner. Governance costs are included within the Church running costs in the receipts and payments account.

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Kilbride Parish Church

Trustees' Annual report and statement of receipts and payments, assets and liabilities

For year ended 31st December 2023

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Kilbride Parish Church

References and administrative details:

Charity Name

Kilbride Parish Church

Charity registration number

103570

Contact address

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Doagh

BT39 0QF

Trustees

Mrs K Henry

Mr R McDonald

Mr J Wilson

Mr C Gibson

Mrs L Lyttle

Mr N Cinnamon

Mr W Robinson

Mr I Topping

Mr S Aiken OBE resigned 6th Feb 2024

Rev Canon W D Humphries retired 31st August 2023

Mr D Holmes

Mrs H McDonald

Mrs C Ireland

Mrs D Hurst

Mrs Iris McCormick appointed 28.3.23

Mrs Valerie Bryans appointed 28.3.23

Principal office- bearers

Clergy:

vacant

Church Secretary

Mr I Topping

Church Treasurer

Mrs L Lyttle

Church-warden – People

Mr C Gibson & Mrs H McDonald

Church warden - Glebe

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Achievements, Performance & Public benefit

Over the past year we have been active in hosting children of all ages from the Parish and the local community to meetings within the Scouting and Guiding organisations in our church hall. For adults, both parishioners and non parishioners we have a Ladies group and the Watchman's group who meet monthly enjoying activities both at the church and on outside visits. Each week there is Badminton and during the summer, the Ramblers group, who meet each week and are both popular for, again, parishioners and others to come together.

For the Coronation of King Charles we held a celebration lunch in the parish hall which was well attended and the Scouts planted an Oak tree to commemorate the event.

During Lent we held "Wednesday Witness" each week, a short service of Prayer and thanksgiving at lunchtime which attracted many visitors as well as our own parishioners. Likewise the display of knitted and crocheted poppies in November attracted good numbers, including the local primary school for whom we opened especially and who were greatly affected by the stories they were told by their teachers of the events of the Great War.

Our Rector retired at the end of August but we have a minister in charge at present who is working hard to retain and indeed grow the number of attendees at services and we look forward to better things in the future.

Kilbride Parish Church

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2023 (continued)

Financial review:

During 2023 total income rose by 5.4% despite a decrease in the Gift Aid refund scheme of 7.7% due to deaths and those who people dropped out of the tax bracket. Positive figures showed an increase of 3.7% in the Freewill Offering driven by our encouragement for members to use the direct giving scheme and as a result 64% now use that method to donate, additional services throughout the year produced an increase in the loose collection also. Gifts for 3rd party/charities also show an increase, this is due to a collection for the Turkish earthquake appeal which raised £600 and a collection for our retiring Rector but of course these were designated funds. Investments within the Church of Ireland RCB funds have also increased, which gives us security in the longer term. As we currently have a part time minister in charge, and no one currently living at the rectory the cost associated with running the Parish is greatly reduced and will allow us to further build up our reserves over the next year.

Going Concern

The trustees have reviewed the budgets for the year and are satisfied that there are adequate funds in place to ensure that the parish can continue its activities for a period of twelve months from the date of approval and the financial statements for the year ending 31st December 2023 can be signed off as a going concern.

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Structure, Governance and Management

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Recruitment and Appointment of Select Vestry (Trustees)

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Pay and remuneration

The stipend and locomotory allowances of the incumbent of the Parish is paid by the Parish in accordance with the advice of the Diocese of Connor and in line with figures approved by the General Synod of the Church of Ireland. In addition the parish pays the incumbent's share of the pension contribution and some of the running expenses of the rectory. This situation, of course, changed when our Rector retired and we now pay a flat fee to the minister in charge. See note 5 for details of the amounts expended in the year ended 31 December 2023.

Kilbride Parish Church

Trustee's annual report for year ending 31st December 2023

Organisational structure

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Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Rev J McClure

Minister in charge

Ivan Topping

Hon. Sec.

Date:

CG Taggart

ACCOUNTANCY SERVICES

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Kilbride Parish Church

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Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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13 March 2023

Kilbride Parish church**Receipts and payments Account for the year ending 31st December 2023**

| Receipts | 2023 | 2022 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Freewill Offerings | 69,623 | 67,105 |
| Loose Collections | 3,351 | 2,113 |
| Gifts/donations/grants | 5,224 | 5,228 |
| Gift aid returns | 12,755 | 13,824 |
| Rents | 1,010 | 1,140 |
| Bank interest | 56 | 86 |
| Investment income | 3,405 | 2,043 |
| Income for Charity/3 rd parties | 3,215 | 1,769 |
| Utilities refund | 0 | 223 |
| Total receipts | 98,639 | 93,532 |

Payments

| | | |
|--|---------------|----------------|
| Wages, salaries and other entitlements | 52,265 | 64,115 |
| Diocesan costs and assessments | 13,561 | 12,933 |
| Church running costs | 27,856 | 27,203 |
| Charitable donations | 4,470 | 2,186 |
| Total Payments | 98,152 | 106,437 |

Excess of payments over receipts for year **487** **(12,905)**

Opening balance (see note 2) **25,615** **26,615**

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Above opening and closing balance includes £1,950 restricted funds in 2023 (£1,890 in 2022)

Signed on behalf of trustees:

Rev J McClure:

Minister in charge

Ivan Topping:

Hon. Sec.

Date

Kilbride Parish Church

Statement of assets and liabilities as at 31st December 2023

| Cash funds | 2023 | 2022 |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| Current account | 9,148 | 721 |
| Deposit account | 15,004 | 23,004 |
| RB surplus funds account (restricted) | <u>1,950</u> | <u>1,890</u> |
| | 26,102 | 25,615 |
| Debtors – Gift Aid receivable | 13,325 | 12,755 |
| Investments in RCB/CIT unit Trusts | 118,021 | 114,206 |
| Assets retained for Parish own use: | | |
| Church hall | 93,671 | 93,671 |
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Kilbride Parish Church

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
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Kilbride Parish Church

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The above amounts have been included in Receipts for the Year under 'Income for Charity/3rd parties' and in payments for the year under 'Charitable Donations'.

Kilbride Parish Church

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Doagh/Kilbride/St. Bride/Connor/Church of Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103570

Annual report

Kilbride Parish Church

Trustees' Annual report and statement of receipts and payments, assets and liabilities

For year ended 31st December 2023

Charities number 103570

Annual report and financial statements for year ended 31st December 2023

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Kilbride Parish Church

References and administrative details:

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Kilbride Parish Church

Charity registration number

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Trustees

Mrs K Henry

Mr R McDonald

Mr J Wilson

Mr C Gibson

Mrs L Lyttle

Mr N Cinnamon

Mr W Robinson

Mr I Topping

Mr S Aiken OBE resigned 6th Feb 2024

Rev Canon W D Humphries retired 31st August 2023

Mr D Holmes

Mrs H McDonald

Mrs C Ireland

Mrs D Hurst

Mrs Iris McCormick appointed 28.3.23

Mrs Valerie Bryans appointed 28.3.23

Principal office- bearers

Clergy:

vacant

Church Secretary

Mr I Topping

Church Treasurer

Mrs L Lyttle

Church-warden – People

Mr C Gibson & Mrs H McDonald

Church warden - Glebe

Mr J Wilson & Mr W Robinson

Independent Examiner

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Kilbride Parish Church

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2023

The trustees present the Annual report and statements of receipts and payments, assets and liabilities for Kilbride Parish Church for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Objectives and Activities

The charitable purpose of the Church of Ireland is the advancement of religion.

The principal function of Kilbride Parish Church is to support the advancement of the Christian religion by promoting, through the work of the church, the whole mission of the church pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. Being open to and engaging with society as a whole and offering support for those needing help are fundamental to the practical delivery of the benefits of Christianity.

As a result of activity in the pursuit of the advancement of the Christian religion, Kilbride Parish Church has custody of property, records, materials and artefacts of significance to the cultural and religious heritage, the maintenance of which is undertaken by the Select Vestry of Kilbride Parish Church.

Achievements, Performance & Public benefit

Over the past year we have been active in hosting children of all ages from the Parish and the local community to meetings within the Scouting and Guiding organisations in our church hall. For adults, both parishioners and non parishioners we have a Ladies group and the Watchman's group who meet monthly enjoying activities both at the church and on outside visits. Each week there is Badminton and during the summer, the Ramblers group, who meet each week and are both popular for, again, parishioners and others to come together.

For the Coronation of King Charles we held a celebration lunch in the parish hall which was well attended and the Scouts planted an Oak tree to commemorate the event.

During Lent we held "Wednesday Witness" each week, a short service of Prayer and thanksgiving at lunchtime which attracted many visitors as well as our own parishioners. Likewise the display of knitted and crocheted poppies in November attracted good numbers, including the local primary school for whom we opened especially and who were greatly affected by the stories they were told by their teachers of the events of the Great War.

Our Rector retired at the end of August but we have a minister in charge at present who is working hard to retain and indeed grow the number of attendees at services and we look forward to better things in the future.

Kilbride Parish Church

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2023 (continued)

Financial review:

During 2023 total income rose by 5.4% despite a decrease in the Gift Aid refund scheme of 7.7% due to deaths and those who people dropped out of the tax bracket. Positive figures showed an increase of 3.7% in the Freewill Offering driven by our encouragement for members to use the direct giving scheme and as a result 64% now use that method to donate, additional services throughout the year produced an increase in the loose collection also. Gifts for 3rd party/charities also show an increase, this is due to a collection for the Turkish earthquake appeal which raised £600 and a collection for our retiring Rector but of course these were designated funds. Investments within the Church of Ireland RCB funds have also increased, which gives us security in the longer term. As we currently have a part time minister in charge, and no one currently living at the rectory the cost associated with running the Parish is greatly reduced and will allow us to further build up our reserves over the next year.

Going Concern

The trustees have reviewed the budgets for the year and are satisfied that there are adequate funds in place to ensure that the parish can continue its activities for a period of twelve months from the date of approval and the financial statements for the year ending 31st December 2023 can be signed off as a going concern.

Post Balance Sheet:

Parish funds have held up throughout this year and the sum held in the deposit account for contingencies and our investments through the RCB in Dublin give us confidence for the coming year.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document and Constitution of the Charity

Chapter III of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland governs Parishes and Parochial Organisation. The Select Vestry members are the Charity Trustees.

Recruitment and Appointment of Select Vestry (Trustees)

All members of the Church of Ireland who are over the age of 18 and are either resident within the parish or live elsewhere but have been accustomed members of the congregation for at least three months, may register as members of the general vestry of the parish, allowing them to attend and vote at meetings of the general vestry and to stand for election to the select vestry. Meetings of the general vestry are held at least once a year. The Select Vestry is elected as part of this General Vestry meeting. The Select Vestry will hold their positions for a period of one year. Select Vestry members may be re-elected annually and there is no limit on the number of terms which may be served.

Pay and remuneration

The stipend and locomotory allowances of the incumbent of the Parish is paid by the Parish in accordance with the advice of the Diocese of Connor and in line with figures approved by the General Synod of the Church of Ireland. In addition the parish pays the incumbent's share of the pension contribution and some of the running expenses of the rectory. This situation, of course, changed when our Rector retired and we now pay a flat fee to the minister in charge. See note 5 for details of the amounts expended in the year ended 31 December 2023.

Kilbride Parish Church

Trustee's annual report for year ending 31st December 2023

Organisational structure

The Select Vestry is responsible for the day to day management of the Parish and consists of: The member of the clergy serving in the parish, the churchwardens and generally not more than twelve members of the general vestry who are elected at the Easter General Vestry.

The select vestry is chaired by the incumbent or other member of the clergy officiating in the Parish. Select Vestry members are responsible for making decisions on matters of general concern and importance to the parish including how funds are applied.

The select vestry meets at times fixed by the members or by the diocesan synod. Special meetings may be convened at any time by the chairperson on the churchwardens. In 2023 the select vestry met 8 times with an average attendance of 78%.

Compliance with Public benefit;

The Parish has given consideration to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered into during the year, while adhering to the government restrictions, have helped to achieve the Parish's purpose and objectives, as well as providing public benefit.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities:

The trustee's are responsible for preparing the trustee's report and statement of receipts and payments and the statement of assets and liabilities in accordance with the applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland with an income of less than £250,000 requires trustees to prepare a statement of receipts and payments and a statement of assets and liabilities for each financial year.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Parish's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time, the assets and liabilities of the Parish. They are also responsible for the safeguarding of the assets of the parish and hence for taking steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

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Minister in charge

Ivan Topping

Hon. Sec.

Date:

CG Taggart

ACCOUNTANCY SERVICES

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Kilbride Parish Church

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Kilbride Parish Church

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Kilbride Parish Church

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Kilbride Parish Church

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Accounts

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Date: 10 / 1 / 2023

Doagh/Kilbride/St. Bride/Connor/Church of Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103570

Annual report

Kilbride Parish Church

Trustees' Annual report and statement of receipts and payments, assets and liabilities

For year ended 31st December 2022

Charities number 103570

Annual report and financial statements for year ended 31st December 2022

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Kilbride Parish Church

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Trustees

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Mr R McDonald

Mr J Wilson

Mr C Gibson

Mrs L Lyttle

Mr N Cinnamon

Mr W Robinson

Mr I Topping

Mr S Aiken OBE

Rev Canon W D Humphries

Mr D Holmes

Mrs P Robinson resigned 5.4.2022

Mrs H McDonald

Mrs C Ireland

Mrs D Hurst

Ms Ashley Hurst resigned 5.4. 2022

Mrs Iris McCormick appointed 28.3.23

Mrs Valerie Bryans appointed 28.3.23

Principal office- bearers

Clergy:

Rev Canon W D Humphries

Church Secretary

Mr I Topping

Church Treasurer

Mrs L Lyttle

Church-warden – People

Mr C Gibson & Mrs H McDonald

Church warden - Glebe

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Kilbride Parish Church

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2022

The trustees present the Annual report and statements of receipts and payments, assets and liabilities for Kilbride Parish Church for the year ended 31st December 2022.

Objectives and Activities

The charitable purpose of the Church of Ireland is the advancement of religion.

The principal function of Kilbride Parish Church is to support the advancement of the Christian religion by promoting, through the work of the church, the whole mission of the church pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. Being open to and engaging with society as a whole and offering support for those needing help are fundamental to the practical delivery of the benefits of Christianity.

As a result of activity in the pursuit of the advancement of the Christian religion, Kilbride Parish Church has custody of property, records, materials and artefacts of significance to the cultural and religious heritage, the maintenance of which is undertaken by the Select Vestry of Kilbride Parish Church.

Achievements, Performance & Public benefit

Now that many of the restrictions are over we have been attempting to 'get back to normal'. Attendance at services is still low but we have been trying to engage our members and those in the local community in fellowship. Youth organisations are all up and running and our Ladies group and badminton group are meeting again.

In February there was a 'Day with God' to start the year when a suggested Prayer diary was included in the church magazine suggesting prayer times throughout the day and to thank God for the end of the pandemic. The magazine is circulated to every parishioner, well as being made available locally to others. During Lent there was a musical recital in the church each Wednesday followed by lunch which was well attended by both members and visitors.

We also opened the church throughout the year to various groups celebrating anniversaries including 50 years of the Brownie pack at Kilbride, 100 years of policing in Northern Ireland, 100 years of the (Masonic) Provincial Priory of East Ulster to name just a few.

We held many entertainment evenings such as hosting Killyglen orchestra, a beetle drive, a summer fete, an evening with the Rector in Advent which were all publicised on our Facebook page as well as the parish website.

In addition to money collected for charity, the Select Vestry donated £1,000 of funds to local charities. We continue to plan events for 2023 which we hope will attract both members and visitors alike to our church.

Kilbride Parish Church

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2022 (continued)

Financial review:

Attendance figures continue to be low at services and therefore Freewill offering amounts have dropped by 4% over the past year. Some donations to the parish (total £1,750) as well as a grant to each parish from the Diocesan office (£1,510) brought the overall reduction in our income to just over three percent. A careful spending programme throughout the year kept costs to a minimum and we have been able to maintain a cash reserve of £23,004 in a deposit account. Attempts at fundraising activities have not produced the results we had hoped for but we remain undeterred for the year ahead.

Going Concern

The trustees have reviewed the budgets for the year and are satisfied that there are adequate funds in place to ensure that the parish can continue its activities for a period of twelve months from the date of approval and the financial statements for the year ending 31st December 2022 can be signed off as a going concern.

Post Balance Sheet:

Parish funds have held up throughout this year and the sum held in the deposit account for contingencies give us confidence for the coming year.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document and Constitution of the Charity

Chapter III of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland governs Parishes and Parochial Organisation. The Select Vestry members are the Charity Trustees.

Recruitment and Appointment of Select Vestry (Trustees)

All members of the Church of Ireland who are over the age of 18 and are either resident within the parish or live elsewhere but have been accustomed members of the congregation for at least three months, may register as members of the general vestry of the parish, allowing them to attend and vote at meetings of the general vestry and to stand for election to the select vestry. Meetings of the general vestry are held at least once a year. The Select Vestry is elected as part of this General Vestry meeting. The Select Vestry will hold their positions for a period of one year. Select Vestry members may be re-elected annually and there is no limit on the number of terms which may be served.

Pay and remuneration

The stipend and locum allowances of the incumbent of the Parish is paid by the Parish in accordance with the advice of the Diocese of Connor and in line with figures approved by the General Synod of the Church of Ireland. In addition the parish pays the incumbent's share of the pension contribution and some of the running expenses of the rectory. See note 5 for details of the amounts expended in the year ended 31 December 2022.

Kilbride Parish Church

Trustees annual report for year ending 31st December 2022 (continued)

Organisational structure

The Select Vestry is responsible for the day to day management of the parish and consists of: the member of the clergy serving in the parish, the churchwardens and generally not more than twelve members of the general vestry who are elected at the general vestry.

The select vestry is chaired by the incumbent or other member of the clergy officiating in the parish. Select vestry members are responsible for making decisions on matters of general concern and importance to the parish including how parish funds are applied.

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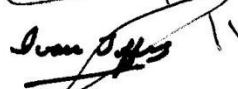
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Date: 10 / 1 / 23

CG Taggart

ACCOUNTANCY SERVICES

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Kilbride Parish Church

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 7 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of 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 Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- 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.

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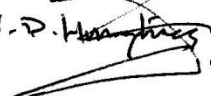
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Kilbride Parish Church

Receipts and Payments Account for the year ending 31st December 2022

| Receipts | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|
| | Unrestricted | Restricted | Total | Total |
| Freewill offerings | 67,105 | - | 67,105 | 69,628 |
| Loose collections | 2,113 | - | 2,113 | 395 |
| Gifts and donations/grants | 5,228 | - | 5,228 | 1,051 |
| Gift Aid return | 13,824 | - | 13,824 | 14,960 |
| Rents | 1,140 | - | 1,140 | - |
| Bank and deposit interest | 86 | - | 86 | 102 |
| Investment income | 2,033 | 10 | 2,043 | 2,181 |
| Income for charity/3 rd parties | 1,769 | - | 1,769 | 1,409 |
| Proceeds from sale of old rectory | - | - | - | 5,981 |
| Utilities refund | 223 | - | 223 | 802 |
| Total receipts | 93,522 | 10 | 93,532 | 96,509 |
| Payments | | | | |
| Wages, salaries and other entitlements | 64,115 | - | 64,115 | 56,336 |
| Diocesan costs/assessments | 12,933 | - | 12,933 | 12,338 |
| Church running costs | 27,203 | - | 27,203 | 19,972 |
| Charitable donations | 2,186 | - | 2,186 | 4,273 |
| Total payments | 106,437 | - | 106,437 | 92,919 |
| Excess of payments over receipts for year | (12,915) | 10 | (12,905) | 3,591 |
| Opening balance (see note 2) | 36,640 | 1,880 | 38,520 | 34,929 |
| Closing balance (see note 2) | 23,725 | 1,890 | 25,615 | 38,520 |

Signed on behalf of Trustees:

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Date 12.3.2023

Kilbride Parish Church

Statement of assets and liabilities as at 31st December 2022

| | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2021 | 2021 | 2021 |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Cash funds | Restricted | Unrestricted | Total | Restricted | Unrestricted | Total |
| Current account | - | 721 | 721 | - | 11,636 | 11,636 |
| Deposit account | - | 23,004 | 23,004 | - | 25,004 | 25,004 |
| RB surplus funds account | <u>1,890</u> | - | <u>1,890</u> | <u>1,880</u> | - | <u>1,880</u> |
| Total cash funds (see note 2) | 1,890 | 23,725 | 25,615 | 1,880 | 36,640 | 38,520 |
| | | | | | | |
| Debtors – Gift Aid receivable | - | 12,637 | 12,637 | - | 13,109 | 13,109 |
| | | | | | | |
| Investments in RCB/CIT unit trust | 50,330 | 63,876 | 114,206 | 53,025 | 68,222 | 121,247 |
| Total investment | <u>50,330</u> | <u>63,876</u> | <u>114,206</u> | <u>53,025</u> | <u>68,222</u> | <u>121,247</u> |

Assets retained for Parish's own use:


| | | | | | | |
|--|----------------|---|----------------|----------------|---|----------------|
| Church hall | 93,671 | - | 93,671 | 93,671 | - | 93,671 |
| Rectory | 225,000 | - | 225,000 | 225,000 | - | 225,000 |
| Parish room (portacabin) | 25,000 | - | 25,000 | 25,000 | - | 25,000 |
| Less depreciation@10% per annum(15,000) | - | - | (15,000) | (12,500) | - | (12,500) |
| Fixtures and fittings | 55,000 | - | 55,000 | 55,000 | - | 55,000 |
| Less depreciation @ 10%per annum(33,000) | - | - | (33,000) | (27,500) | - | (27,500) |
| Storage unit | 5,000 | - | 5,000 | 5,000 | - | 5,000 |
| Less depreciation @ 10%per annum (1,000) | - | - | (1,000) | (500) | - | (500) |
| Total assets retained for Parish's own use | <u>354,671</u> | - | <u>354,671</u> | <u>363,171</u> | - | <u>363,171</u> |

Liabilities:

| | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---------|---------|
| Taxation and Social Security | - | - | - | - | (2,767) | (2,767) |
|------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---------|---------|

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Kilbride Parish Church

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2022

1. Accounting policies

Set out below are the principle accounting policies which have been adopted in the completion of the Receipts and Payments Account and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

a) Receipts and Payment account

All items of income and expenditure included within the receipts and payments account have been accounted for on a cash receipts basis.

b) Statement of Assets and Liabilities

i) Assets retained for Parish own use

The assets of the parish, retained for its own use comprise:-

| | <u>2022</u> £ | <u>2022</u> £ | <u>2021</u> £ |
|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| | Restricted funds | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds |
| Church Hall | 93,671 | - | 93,671 |
| Rectory | 225,000 | - | 225,000 |
| Storage unit | 4,000 | - | 4,500 |
| Parish Room (portacabin) | 10,000 | - | 12,500 |
| Fixtures and fittings | 22,000 | - | 27,500 |
| Church building | See below | | See below |

The Church building and furniture are deemed to be Heritage assets as defined by the Charities SORP (FRS102).

These Heritage assets are not included in the statement of assets and liabilities as information on the cost or valuation is not available and such information cannot be obtained at a cost commensurate with the benefit to the users of the accounts and to the Parish.

The Church Hall is recognised at cost of construction/acquisition. No depreciation has been provided on the parish centre buildings as the current estimated residual value is not less than its carrying value and the remaining useful life currently exceeds 50 years.

The Rectory is recognised cost of acquisition. No depreciation value has been provided on the Rectory as the current estimated value is not less than its carrying value and the remaining useful life currently exceeds 50 years.

The Storage unit is recognised at cost of acquisition as at October 2020 and is depreciated on a straight line basis over a 10 year period.

The Parish room is recognised at deemed cost (estimated value at 31st December 2016) and is depreciated on a straight line basis over a period of 10 years.

Fixtures and fittings are recognised at deemed cost (estimated value at 31st December 2016) and is depreciated on a straight line basis over a period of 10 years.

Kilbride Parish Church

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2022 (continued)

ii) Investments

Fixed asset investments comprising investment properties, investments in equities (ordinary shares) and investments in RCB/CIT Unit trusts are initially recorded at cost and then subsequently stated at fair value at each year end date. Investments in unquoted investments are recorded at cost and are assessed annually for impairment.

| 2. Reconciliation of Cash funds: | 2022 | 2021 |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Total cash funds at beginning of year | 38,520 | 34,929 |
| Receipts for year | 93,532 | 96,509 |
| Payments for year | (106,437) | (92,919) |
| Total cash funds at end of year | <u>25,615</u> | <u>38,520</u> |

| 3. Investment Assets | 2022 | 2021 |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Investments in RCB/CIT Unit Trusts: | | |
| At beginning of year | 121,247 | 105,759 |
| Increase / (reduction) in value | (7,041) | 15,488 |
| At end of year | <u>114,206</u> | <u>121,247</u> |

Of the total of £114,206 (2021: £121,247), £50,330 relates to restricted funds (2021: £53,025) and £63,876 to unrestricted funds (2021: £68,222)

| 4. Collections for Third parties | 2022 | 2021 |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Christian Aid | 880 | 913 |
| McCabe Educational Trust | 70 | 221 |
| World day of Prayer | - | 275 |
| Holyland dinner | 779 | - |
| Funeral gratuity to sexton | 40 | - |
| Totals | <u>1,769</u> | <u>1,409</u> |

The above amounts have been included in Receipts for the Year under 'Income for Charity/3rd parties' and in payments for the year under 'Charitable Donations'.

Kilbride Parish Church**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2022 (continued)****5. Transactions with the Trustees**

The Rector was in receipt of a gross taxable salary of £41,958 (2021: £39,512) and additional sums totalling £4,774 (2021: £5,204). The Parish also paid the employer's and personal contribution to the Church of Ireland's centrally administrated Pension fund of £5,909 (2021 £5,737) plus a sum of £2,965 (2021: £2,626) relating to the running costs of the Glebe house occupied by the Rector.

No other trustee or person related to a trustee received remuneration, benefits or reimbursement of expenses nor had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year.

6. Governance costs

Governance costs of £1,409 (2021 - £1,279) were incurred during the year of which £450 (2021 - £300) relates to fees paid to the independent examiner. Governance costs are included within the Church running costs in the receipts and payments account.

Doagh/Kilbride/St. Bride/Connor/Church of Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103570

Annual return

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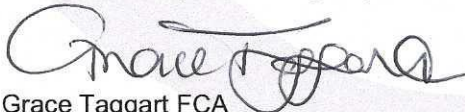
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