

Independent Examiner's Report to the Executive Committee of the Friends of Music in the Education Authority (North East Region)

1. I report on the accounts of the Friends for the year ended 31st March 2023; a copy of the Financial Statement is attached.
2. As the Friends Executive Committee you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 (hereinafter referred to as the Charities Act).
3. It is my responsibility to:
 - 1) examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act;
 - 2) 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
 - 3) state whether particular matters have come to my attention.
4. I have examined the charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination has been carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) to the Charities Act.
5. My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. There were no unusual items or disclosures in the accounts requiring clarification by the Executive Committee.
6. During my examination nothing has come to my attention which causes me to believe that:
 - 1) Accounting records have not been kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act;
 - 2) The accounts do not accord with those accounting records;
 - 3) The accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act;
 - 4) Further information is needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached; and
 - 5) Any payments made are not in compliance with the constitution of the Charity.

Independent Examiners Statement

7. I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters listed at paragraph 6 (1) - (5) above and in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters which require to be brought to your attention.

Signed: Patrick J Toner (Patrick Toner) Date: 31/07/23

Relevant professional qualification: Inspector of Taxes (retired)

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