

Friends in Action International Northern Ireland

Northern Ireland · Charity number 103865

Details

Status	Received
Registered	2016-02-16
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

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Activities

Purposes: The name of the organisation will be Friends in Action International Northern Ireland. The group is established for any charitable purpose and in particular to advance the Christian religion, to relieve poverty, hardship or distress and to advance education especially in overseas projects, and to support people from Northern Ireland who are involved with aid development or Christian projects overseas.

What the charity does: The advancement of religion, The advancement of health or the saving of lives

How the charity works: General charitable purposes

Who the charity helps: Overseas/developing countries

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-09-30	£190,814	£190,815	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mr Jim Mccann		
Mr Mark Collier		
Mr Mike Mcclean		
Mr Nigel Reid		
Mr Thomas Mccormick Bem Qpm		

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

30 September 2024

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	<u>2024</u> £	<u>2024</u> £	<u>2024</u> £	<u>2023</u> £
	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Funds</u>	
<u>GENERAL INCOME</u>				
Voluntary Income - Donations and Giving	190 814	0	190 814	215 240
	<u>190 814</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>190 814</u>	<u>215 240</u>
<u>GENERAL EXPENDITURE</u>				
Support Costs				
Insurance	10 916	0	10 916	10 861
UK tooling	0	0	0	0
Other resources expended				
Fundraising Costs	0	0	0	0
Missionary Donations	62 000	0	62 000	62 180
Well Drilling & Projects	105 281	0	105 281	130 843
General Expenses	12 618	0	12 618	26 817
	<u>190 815</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>190 815</u>	<u>230 701</u>
General Excess of Income over Expenditure	-£1	£0	-£1	-£15 461
Total Funds Brought Forward	<u>137 760</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>137 760</u>	<u>153 221</u>
Total Funds Carried Forward	<u><u>137 759</u></u>	<u><u>0</u></u>	<u><u>137 759</u></u>	<u><u>137 760</u></u>

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the resources for the above financial year.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2024</u> £	<u>2023</u> £
<u>Fixed Assets</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>Current Assets</u>			
Cash at Bank		<u>137 759</u>	<u>137 760</u>
		<u>137 759</u>	<u>137 760</u>
<u>Current Liabilities</u>			
Accrued Expenses		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)</u>		<u>137 759</u>	<u>137 760</u>
<u>Total Assets Less Current Liabilities</u>		<u><u>137 759</u></u>	<u><u>137 760</u></u>
Represented By:-		£	£
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>			
Opening Balance		#####	#####
Add: Surplus/(Deficit) for year		- 1	- 15 461
<u>General Fund</u>			
Opening Balance		-	-
Add: Surplus/(Deficit) for year		-	-
Balance as at 30 September 2024		<u><u>#####</u></u>	<u><u>#####</u></u>

We approve these accounts & confirm that we have made available all relevant records and information necessary for their preparation.

NIGEL REID

16 June 2025

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Resources Expended

All resources expended are accounted for on an accruals basis. Charitable activities include costs of services and grants, support costs and depreciation on related assets. Costs of generating funds similarly include fundraising activities. Non-staff costs not attributed to one category of activity are allocated or apportioned pro-rata to the staffing of the relevant service. Finance, HR, IT and administrative staff costs are directly attributable to individual activities by objective. Governance costs are those associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Investments

Investments held as fixed assets are stated at cost less provision for any permanent diminution in value. Income from other financial fixed asset investments together with any related tax credit is recognised in the profit and loss account in the year in which it is receivable.

Going Concern

The trustees believe that it is appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis, as the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for the 12 months from the date of the approval of the financial statements are sufficient for the charity to continue as a going concern.

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	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Funds</u>	
<u>GENERAL INCOME</u>				
Voluntary Income - Donations and Giving	215,240	0	215,240	121,516
	<u>215,240</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>215,240</u>	<u>121,516</u>
<u>GENERAL EXPENDITURE</u>				
Support Costs				
Insurance	10,861	0	10,861	10,346
UK tooling	0	0	0	1,510
Other resources expended				
Fundraising Costs	0	0	0	0
Missionary Donations	62,180	0	62,180	54,190
Well Drilling & Projects	130,843	0	130,843	118,407
General Expenses	26,817	0	26,817	13,169
	<u>230,701</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>230,701</u>	<u>197,622</u>
General Excess of Income over Expenditure	-£15,461	£0	-£15,461	-£76,106
Total Funds Brought Forward	<u>153,221</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>153,221</u>	<u>229,327</u>
Total Funds Carried Forward	<u>137,760</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>137,760</u>	<u>153,221</u>

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
<u>Fixed Assets</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>Current Assets</u>			
Cash at Bank		<u>137,760</u>	<u>153,221</u>
		<u>137,760</u>	<u>153,221</u>
<u>Current Liabilities</u>			
Accrued Expenses		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)</u>		<u>137,760</u>	<u>153,221</u>
<u>Total Assets Less Current Liabilities</u>		<u><u>137,760</u></u>	<u><u>153,221</u></u>
Represented By:-		£	£
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>			
Opening Balance		153,221	229,327
Add: Surplus/(Deficit) for year		- 15,461	- 76,106
<u>General Fund</u>			
Opening Balance		-	-
Add: Surplus/(Deficit) for year		-	-
Balance as at 30 September 2023		<u><u>137,760</u></u>	<u><u>153,221</u></u>

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NIGEL REID

10 June 2024

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Friends in Action International Northern Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103865

Annual report



Friends In Action

Friends In Action Intl
(NI) Ltd Annual
Report 30 September
2023

30 September

2023

This report aims to keep the Board and its members up to date with ministry activity, developments, future plans and needs. We praise the Lord for the amazing things that He is allowing us to be part of as we serve Him in the UK and W. Africa.

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Annual Report for the year ended 30th September 2023

The trustees of Friends in Action International NI are pleased to submit their annual report and accounts for the period 1st October 2022 to the 30th September 2023.

Achievement and performance

During the year a new logo and branding were developed in-house for Friends in Action Northern Ireland with the charity's website being updated accordingly.

West Africa 2022-2023

Water well project work continued throughout the year.

A total of 32 boreholes were drilled with 23 successful wells completed during the year. The wells were established in the central, central North, west, south and east of Burkina Faso. The majority of these wells were drilled to provide drinking water to remote village communities across W Africa. A small percentage of the wells drilled provide water to clinics, schools and orphanages in Burkina Faso.

Water towers

5 water towers in Burkina Faso and Ivory Coast were constructed converting hand pump wells providing water for 500 people to small scale water distribution networks each meeting the water needs for up to 3000 people.

Numerous wells were repaired and refurbished during the year across Burkina Faso.

The charity now operates 2 field bases. One in Burkina Faso's capital city Ouagadougou and one in Bocanda, Ivory Coast where the water well drilling rig and support equipment is stored and a volunteer team centre with field office is maintained.

The charity continued to direct its water projects across W Africa both remotely and through field visits as possible in light of security concerns across parts of west Africa.

The charity continues to develop and maintain close working relationships with other missionary organisations serving in west Africa and in the UK.

Due to continuing insecurity and incidences of attacks (including kidnapping in Burkina Faso) there has been ongoing focus on risk assessment and risk management which has curtailed operational activities in some northerly and easterly parts of the country.

Having negotiated the global pandemic and ongoing insecurity in some regions, FIA continues to deliver water projects and support numerous mission organisations in W Africa through:

1. volunteer team trips to Ivory Coast and

2. drilling water wells, development of in-country WASH project services, training and remote project management.

In compliance with UK guidelines on travel and terrorism, the charity did not send any volunteer teams to Burkina Faso from the UK during the period of reporting.

Operationally there continues to be an increased use of in country services in Burkina Faso to replace volunteer teams. There continues to be an increase in the demand for the provision of Water sanitation and hygiene (WASH) services, project management and service delivery, supporting internally displaced peoples (IDPs) in Burkina Faso.

The season has been very successful in the number of wells achieved with the charity working hard to increase the success rate of good wells. It is estimated approximately 26,500 people have been provided with access to fresh potable water.

The increased water supply will benefit many people, projects and activities.

Ivory Coast Team Centre and Office

Through the year construction works were completed to a new team field centre and office in Bocanda area, Ivory Coast.

A volunteer team went to Ivory Coast for 2 weeks during the year to support the fitting out of this team centre, undertaking electrical, joinery and plumbing works. The team centre and field office are now functional and ready to accommodate future volunteers.

NTM North Coates

The charity made a donation of £700 to support the development of the New Tribes Mission training school in North Coates.

Financial Performance

Financial performance in the year to 30th September 2023 has been broadly consistent with the trustee's forecasts and expectations; a deficit of income to expenditure of £15,461 was achieved for the year.

The year ended with a general (and sole) fund balance of £137,760 (compared with £153,221 for the same date last year). Detailed accounts attached.

Income receipts for the year totalled £215,240 – an apparent increase of £93,724 (77.1%).

Expenditure increased to £230,701 compared to £197,622 an increase of £33,079 (16.74%) in the previous year mainly due to increased operational activity and the ongoing establishment of the work in Ivory Coast.

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name

Friends in Action International NI

Charity Number

Registered Charity Number Northern Ireland NIC103865

Principal Address

93 Carsonstown Road,
Saintfield
Ballynahinch
BT24 7ED

Charity Trustees as
of 30th September
2023.

Nigel Reid
Chairman

Thomas McCormick
Secretary

Michael McClean

Mark Collier

James McCann

Banking	AIB (Formerly – First Trust Bank) University Road Belfast BT7 1ND
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Insurance Broker and Underwriter	Marsh Ltd Bedford House 16-22 Bedford Street, Belfast, BT2 7DX
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Objectives and Activities

Charitable Objects

The object of the charity as set out in our Constitution are to support by means of voluntary work and financial assistance any charitable projects for the protection and preservation of health, the relief of poverty, or the advancement of education and Christianity in West Africa and similar needy areas throughout the world.

Public Benefit Statement

The trustees of Friends in Action International N Ireland confirm that they have complied with their duty under the Charities Act (NI) 2008 and the Charities Act NI (2013) to have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and that the public benefit requirement has informed the activities of the Society in the year to September 30th, 2023.

In evaluating public benefit, the trustees note that the provision of publicly available potable drinking water through well drilling, well refurbishment and water tower construction; continues to clearly demonstrate the fulfilment of this public benefit requirement. It is estimated that through the charities work in the year ending 30th September 2023 approximately an additional 26,500 people living in W Africa will have access to safe drinking water supplies.

NR Reid
Chairman

Friends in Action International Northern Ireland

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	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Funds</u>	
<u>GENERAL INCOME</u>				
Voluntary Income - Donations and Giving	138,849	0	138,849	139,518
	<u>138,849</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>138,849</u>	<u>139,518</u>
<u>GENERAL EXPENDITURE</u>				
Support Costs				
Insurance	10,582	0	10,582	21,350
UK tooling	20,736	0	20,736	0
Other resources expended				
Fundraising Costs	0	0	0	0
Missionary Donations	60,000	0	60,000	49,700
Well Drilling & Projects	66,057	0	66,057	137,150
General Expenses	5,183	0	5,183	6,901
	<u>162,558</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>162,558</u>	<u>215,101</u>
General Excess of Income over Expenditure	-£23,709	£0	-£23,709	-£75,583
Total Funds Brought Forward	<u>253,036</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>253,036</u>	<u>328,619</u>
Total Funds Carried Forward	<u>229,327</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>229,327</u>	<u>253,036</u>

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2021</u> £	<u>2020</u> £
<u>Fixed Assets</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>Current Assets</u>			
Cash at Bank		<u>229,327</u>	<u>253,036</u>
		<u>229,327</u>	<u>253,036</u>
<u>Current Liabilities</u>			
Accrued Expenses		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)</u>		<u>229,327</u>	<u>253,036</u>
<u>Total Assets Less Current Liabilities</u>		<u>229,327</u>	<u>253,036</u>
Represented By:-		£	£
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>			
Opening Balance		253,036	328,619
Add: Surplus/(Deficit) for year		- 23,709	- 75,583
<u>General Fund</u>			
Opening Balance		-	-
Add: Surplus/(Deficit) for year		-	-
Balance as at 30 September 2019		<u>229,327</u>	<u>253,036</u>

We approve these accounts & confirm that we have made available all relevant records and information necessary for their preparation.

NIGEL REID

30 June 2022

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Achievement and performance

West Africa 2020-2021

Water well project work continued throughout the year.

A total of 63 boreholes were drilled with 28 successful wells completed during the year. The wells were established in the central, west, south and east of Burkina Faso. The majority of these wells were drilled to provide drinking water in remote village communities across W Africa.

Water towers

6 water towers were constructed converting hand pump wells providing water for 500 people to small scale water distribution networks each meeting the water needs for up to 3000 people.

Refurbishment

28 non-functioning wells were refurbished and recommissioned with new pumps and associated well head improvement works.

There remains a great need for fresh potable water throughout the country of Burkina Faso and a well will provide fresh water to around 500 people.

The charity continues to operate from our base in the nation's capital city Ouagadougou where our equipment is stored and a field office maintained.

The charity continued to direct its water projects across W Africa both remotely and through field visits as possible through the global pandemic.

The charity continues to develop and maintain close working relationships with other missionary organisations serving in Burkina Faso and in the UK

Due to ongoing terrorism and incidences of kidnapping in Burkina Faso there has been ongoing focus on risk assessment and risk management which has prohibited the drilling of wells in predominantly the northerly and easterly parts of the country.

The charity having moved drilling equipment into Ivory Coast, W Africa, has commenced limited well drilling works, delivering and supporting various water projects in partnership with other missions. Works to develop a field base in Ivory Coast are continuing.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic there has been only limited travel to W Africa by the missionary family in the 2020-21 year. Since the start of the pandemic the charities focus shifted to continuing to delivering water projects and supporting mission organisations in W Africa through the development of in-country services, training and remote project management.

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Operationally there continues to be an increased use of in country services to replace volunteer teams. There has also been an increase in the demand for the provision of Water sanitation and hygiene (WASH) services, project management and service delivery supporting internally displaced peoples (IDPs) in Burkina Faso.

The season has been very successful in the number of wells achieved with the charity working hard to increase the success rate of good wells. It is estimated approximately 40,000 people have been provided with access to fresh potable water.

The increased water supply will benefit many people, projects and activities.

Guinea

The charity made a donation of £2000 to support the Tanda peoples in Guinea through the work of New Tribes Mission.

Financial Performance

Financial performance in the year to March 30th September 2021 has been broadly consistent with the trustee's forecasts and expectations; a deficit of income to expenditure of £23,708 was achieved for the year

The year ended with a general (and sole) fund balance of £229,326 (compared £253,036 for the same date last year). Detailed accounts attached.

Income receipts for the year totalled £138,848 – an apparent decrease of £670 (.005%).

Expenditure also decreased to £162,557 compared to £215,101 a decrease of £52,544 (24%) in the previous year mainly due to reduced operational activity resulting from pandemic restrictions and the ongoing establishment of a second work in Ivory Coast.

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name

Friends in Action International NI

Charity Number

Registered Charity Number Northern Ireland NIC103865

Principal Address

93 Carsonstown Road,
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Charity Trustees as
of 30th September
2020.

Nigel Reid

Chairman

Thomas McCormick

Secretary

Michael McClean

Mark Collier

James McCann

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34-36 Market Square
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Objectives and Activities

Charitable Objects

The object of the charity as set out in our Constitution are to support by means of voluntary work and financial assistance any charitable projects for the protection and preservation of health, the relief of poverty, or the advancement of education and Christianity in West Africa and similar needy areas throughout the world.

Public Benefit Statement

The trustees of Friends in Action International N Ireland confirm that they have complied with their duty under the Charities Act (NI) 2008 and the Charities Act NI (2013) to have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and that the public benefit requirement has informed the activities of the Society in the year to September 30th, 2021.

In evaluating public benefit, the trustees note that the provision of publicly available potable drinking water through well drilling, well refurbishment and water tower construction; continues to clearly demonstrate the fulfilment of this public benefit requirement. It is estimated that through the charities work in the year ending 30th September 2021 approximately an additional 40,000 people living in W Africa will have access to safe drinking water supplies.

NR Reid
Chairman

Friends in Action International Northern Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103865

Annual return

Independent Examiner's Report to the Charity Trustees of Friends In Action International NI

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the period ended 30 September 2021, which are set out on pages 2 to 3.

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.

Stuart M Lynn FCCA
Chartered Certified Accountant
16d Castle Street
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28 June 2022

