

Portadown/Kilmore/St Aidan's/Armagh/Church of Ireland **Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2018**

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2018

The Trustees present the Annual Report, Statements of Receipts and Payments and Assets and Liabilities for St Aidan's Kilmore Parish for the year ended 31st December 2018.

Objectives and Activities

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

The principle function of St Aidan's Kilmore Parish is to support the advancement of the Christian religion by promoting, through the work of St Aidan's Kilmore 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 are fundamental to the practical delivery of the benefits of Christianity.

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

Achievements, Performance & Public Benefit

The Parish has weekly services on Sunday mornings and evenings comprising of a mix of Holy Communion, Family Service/Baptism and Sunday School together with various other special services during the year e.g. Lent Services, Harvest and Christmas Services. Bible Fellowship Meetings are held on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month. Pastoral Care is also provided.

A range of activities are also provided by St Aidan's Kilmore Parish either by the Church directly or through various organisations e.g. Church Lads' Brigade, Church Girls' Brigade, Ignite Youth Fellowship, Mothers Union, Senior Citizens Thursday Friendship Group, Bowling Club and Craft Class.

St Aidan's Kilmore Parish has migrated any potential harm from other activities through the implementation of the Church of Ireland Policy on Safeguarding Trust.

The Parish has given careful consideration to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered into during the year have helped to achieve both the Parish's objectives and the implementation of public benefit.

Financial Review

The income into the Parish from various sources was £60,505 with outgoings of £57,709 giving a surplus of £2,796. The bank and cash in hand balance as at 31st December 2018 was £54,360. It is the Trustees' Policy to hold sufficient reserves to cover unexpected emergencies, to enhance funds to pay for future maintenance to the Church and grounds to further the Objectives and Activities of the Church of Ireland.

Going Concern

The Trustees have reviewed the budgets for the year ahead and are satisfied that there are adequate funds in place to ensure that the Parish can continue its activities and the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2018 can be signed off as a going concern.

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 and 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 Rev Diffin receives a stipend, office and locomotory allowances in accordance with figures approved by the General Synod of the Church of Ireland in 2018.

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Organisational Structure

The Select Vestry is responsible for the day to day management of the Parish. The Select Vestry comprises a member of the Clergy serving in the Parish, the Church wardens, the Glebe wardens and generally no more than twelve other members of the General Vestry elected at the General Vestry meeting.

The Selected Vestry is chaired by the member of Clergy officiating in the Parish. Select Vestry members are responsible for making decisions on matters of general concern and importance to the Parish including on deciding how Parish funds are to be applied. The Treasurer is responsible for the Current Account and the Building Funds.

The Select Vestry meets at times fixed by itself or by the Diocesan Synod. Special Meetings may be convened at any time by the Chairperson or Church Wardens.

Compliance with Public Benefit

The Parish has given careful consideration to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered into during the year have helped to achieve the Parish's objectives and activities, as well as providing public benefit. As detailed on this page.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report, the Statement of Receipts and Payments and Statement of Assets and Liabilities in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to Charities in Northern Ireland with Income less than £250,000 requires the 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 safeguarding the assets of the Parish and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS

Diamond & Skillen Chartered Accountants were appointed as the charity's independent examiners.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



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Rosemary Diffin

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Shelagh Winter



Date: 26th April 2019