

Trustees Annual Report (2018)

1. Name of Charity

Creggan/Crossmaglen/Creggan/Armagh/Church of Ireland

2. N.I Charity Number

NIC104085

3. Purpose of charity

The purpose of the charity is the promotion of the Anglican/Episcopalian faith within the parameters of the Church of Ireland denomination. Furthermore the charity exists to offer witness within the broader community advancing charitable-based activities.

4. List of Trustees connected with 2018:

Captain Geoffrey Walmsley

John James Donaldson

Muriel Donaldson

John Stephen Donaldson

Debbie Donaldson

Kenneth Donaldson

Eileen Marks

James Marks Snr

Olive Marks

James Marks Jnr

Gary Marks

Lynne Marks

Ann Wilson

Gary Dawson

Diane Wilson

5. Financial Year of Report

1st January - 31st December 2018

6. Summary of the Charity's main activities to further its' purposes for the public benefit and main achievements/targets achieved in the year;

Weekly services held within the Church

Tours provided for 3 visiting Coach groups to the Church and wider area

Luncheon Clubs x 8 for vulnerable members of the community/over 60's

Community Carols event

Concert event featuring Folk and also Faith-based music

7. Statement from Trustees in respect of Commission's Public Benefit requirement

The Charity's objectives and activities for 2019 are in keeping with The Commissioner's Public benefit requirements and can be summarised as follows:

Purpose 1:

The expression of the precepts of the Christian religion through engagement with the general public, and in particular with the disadvantaged, the sick, the elderly and the young is a public benefit. This can be measured and evidenced through increased social integration and pastoral care delivered at the point of need. The direct benefit of participation in Church life includes the enjoyment of public worship and the giving and receiving of pastoral ministry, improved understanding of the values relating to civic engagement, community cohesion and providing a bridge between diverse groups as well as improved educational outcomes through the Church's ministry of teaching.

The beneficiaries are the general public, and the public valuation of the benefits can be evidenced through attendance at public worship, participation in Church governance and willingness to support through contributions the continuing witness of the Church. The wider benefit to the public will outweigh any detriment arising in the course of Christian outreach. Any private benefit arising out of the fulfilment of our Ministry or to lay staff is essential to the fulfilment of the purpose of the advancement of religion. No Trustees received remuneration, reward or other private benefit for carrying out their Trustee responsibility.

Purpose 2:

The direct benefits flowing from his purpose include the provision of archive records, public enjoyment of cultural and historic buildings and artefacts such as church plate, furnishings and materials as well as an overall improved appreciation of longstanding Christian heritage.

This is demonstrated through on-going provision of access to records and the use made of these records in, for example, research and genealogy, through conservation efforts in respect of records, property and artefacts and the subsequent and continued requests for access and use of our materials by wider society. There is no harm arising from the purpose. The beneficiaries are the general public. No private benefit is received by trustees fulfilling their trustee responsibilities in respect of these records, buildings or artefacts, but in the course of conservation and to make these accessible to the public, the engagement of professional staff and services is essential but incidental to the fulfilment of the purpose.

8. Review of the Charity's financial position at the end of year e.g brief synopsis of the Charity's financial position.

As is detailed within the Charity's financial return, our Accounts are in the black and also have received the matured £20,000 investment referred within last year's report. These monies can only and will be used in accordance with uses as determined within the Public benefit statement.

The charity operates three accounts; Current account which is the everyday working account, the Molly Donaldson Mission account which generates income through fundraising initiatives/donations and for which we then are able to support Mission-based charities and other good causes and finally, the Creggan Hall Management committee account which supports activities for the benefit of the Parish community, in its' fullest terms.

Across the charity, we now hold a combined balance of £33,416.13.

9. Details of any fund held by the Charity that was materially in deficit at the end of the year and steps taken by the Charity trustees to eliminate the deficit;

N/A

10. Signature of Trustee

 (Secretary/Trustee)

31/10/2018 (Dated)

Statement of Assets and Liabilities for 2018

Creggan Church of Ireland holds the following assets:

Creggan Church building

Visitor's Centre building

Creggan Parish Hall

Coach house and toilet block

60 chairs

8 tables

PA system

Digital Projector and screen

Defibrillator

The Church does not have any liabilities above and beyond the everyday costs of maintaining a Church and associated buildings and grounds.

 (Secretary/Trustee)

31/10/2018 (Dated)