

Friends of Creggan Primary School

Northern Ireland · Charity number 104164

Details

Known as Friends of Creggan

Status Received

Registered 2015-11-24

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

Contact

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Activities

Purposes: The purpose of the Association (the Purposes) is to advance the education of pupils in the school in particular by: Developing effective relationships between the staff, parents and others associated with the school; Engaging in activities or providing facilities or equipment which support the school and advance the education of the pupils.

What the charity does: The advancement of education

How the charity works: General charitable purposes

Who the charity helps: Children (5-13 year olds), Parents

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£19,885	£23,457	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Aeron O'boyle		
Anne Marie Mills		
Bronagh O'connell		
Bronagh Shannon		
Caoimhe Totten		
Caron O'boyle		
Dolores Totten		
Dominique Kerr		
Joan Martin		
Joanne Bonnes		
Madonna Henry		

Friends of Creggan Primary School

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Accounts



Charity Name	Charity No. (if any)
Friends of Creggan PS	NIC104164

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/04/2024	To	31/03/2025
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Section A Receipts and payments

Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £

A1 Receipts

Fundraising activities	19,685			19,685	18,033
Interest on deposit account				-	
Dividend on investments				-	
Members' subscriptions				-	
Charitable trading receipts				-	
Rents from land & buildings				-	
Other charitable receipts	200			200	400
A1 Sub total (Gross income for the Annual Return)	19,885	-	-	19,885	18,433

A2 Asset and investment sales (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance).

Proceeds from sale of fixed asset					
Loan repayments received					
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total receipts

19,885	-	-	19,885	18,433
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A3 Payments

Cost of fundraising events	7,178			7,178	6,300
Gross trading payments					
Investment management costs					
Direct charitable activity	15,729			15,729	7,869
Grants & donations paid					
Governance costs	247			247	140
Other costs					312
Bank Fees	302			302	337
Uncleared Cheques					100
A3 Sub total	23,457	-	-	23,457	15,059

A4 Asset and investment purchases (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance)

Purchase of investments					
Loans made					
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments

23,457	-	-	23,457	15,059
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Net of receipts/(payments)

- 3,572	-	-	- 3,572	3,374
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A5 Transfers between funds

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A6 Cash funds last year end

				3,641
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Cash funds this year end

3,442	-	-	3,442	7,015
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Fundraising activities	18,033	-	-	18,033	15,661
Interest on deposit account				-	
Dividend on investments				-	
Members' subscriptions				-	
Charitable trading receipts				-	
Rents from land & buildings				-	
Other charitable receipts	400			400	500
A1 Sub total (Gross income for the Annual Return)	18,433	-	-	18,433	16,161
A2 Asset and investment sales (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance).					
Proceeds from sale of fixed asset		-	-	-	-
Loan repayments received		-	-	-	-
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	18,433	-	-	18,433	16,161
A3 Payments					
Cost of fundraising events	6,300	-	-	6,300	8,020
Gross trading payments					
Investment management costs					
Direct charitable activity	7,869			7,869	18,534
Grants & donations paid					
Governance costs	140			140	116
Other costs	312			312	
Bank Fees	337	-	-	337	381
Uncleared Cheques	100	-	-	100	1,690
A3 Sub total	15,059	-	-	15,059	28,741
A4 Asset and investment purchases (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance)					
Purchase of investments	-	-	-	-	-
Loans made	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	15,059	-	-	15,059	28,741
Net of receipts/(payments)	3,374	-	-	3,374	- 12,580
A5 Transfers between funds		-		-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	3,641				16,220
Cash funds this year end	7,115	-	-	7,115	3,641

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Annual report



Friends of Creggan Primary School

Annual Report & Statement of Accounts

For the year to March 31st 2024

NI Charity Number: NIC104164

Annual Report for the year ended March 31st 2024

The trustees of Friends of Creggan Primary School (Friends of Creggan) are pleased to submit their report and accounts for the period April 1st 2023 to March 31st 2024.

1. Achievements and Performance

1.1 The Year in numbers

9 th Year Supporting Creggan Primary School	3 School and Community Events provided by FOC	100+ Pupils, their families and friends served	£3374.36 excess of income over expenditure for the year
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2. Financial Review

2.1 Financial Performance

Financial performance in the year to March 31st 2024 has been broadly consistent with the trustee's forecasts and expectations; with an excess of income over expenditure of £3374.36. The year ended with a general (and sole) fund balance of £7114.62. Detailed accounts can be found later in the report.

2.2 Income

Income receipts for the year totalled £18433.23. The Friends of Creggan's income is generally healthy and remains consistent with previous performance.

2.3 Expenditure

Expenditure for the year totalled £15058.87. Expenditure is well managed and controlled with all transactions fully accounted for within the detailed records held by the charity Treasurer.

2.4 Stock

As of March 31st 2024 the FOC did not hold any stock.

2.5 Gifts and Support in Kind

In assessing the finances and assets of the FOC it must be noted that many members and trustees give a great deal of support in kind. Many purchases are made and the payment never claimed back; for example printing costs, snacks for FOC functions, prizes for events, and decorative accessories for events have all been paid for by members but the cost not claimed despite such a claim being perfectly legitimate.

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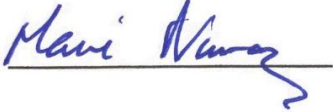
2.6 Funds Materially in Deficit

As at March 31st 2024 the Friends of Creggan had no funds in material deficit.

3. Major Risks

The Friends of Creggan have no major risks to report at 31 March 2024.


Approved and adopted by a meeting of the Executive Committee on 4st September 2024 and signed on their behalf,

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Maire Nawaz
Chairperson

4. Accounts for the Year ended March 31st 2024

4.1 Receipts & Payments Account

	Charity Name			Charity No. (if any)		
	Friends of Creggan PS			NIC104164		
	Receipts and payments accounts					
	For the period from	01/04/2023	To	31/03/2024		
Section A Receipts and payments						
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year	
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	
A1 Receipts						
Fundraising activities	18033.23	-	-			15661
Interest on deposit account				-		
Dividend on investments				-		
Members' subscriptions				-		
Charitable trading receipts				-		
Rents from land & buildings				-		
Other charitable receipts	400			-		500
A1 Sub total (Gross income for the Annual Return)	18433.23	-	-			16161
A2 Asset and investment sales (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance).						
Proceeds from sale of fixed asset		-	-	-		-
Loan repayments received		-	-	-		-
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-		-
Total receipts	18433.23	-	-			16161
A3 Payments						

Cost of fundraising events	6300	-	-			8020
Gross trading payments						
Investment management costs						
Direct charitable activity	7869					18534
Grants & donations paid						
Governance costs	140					116
Other costs	312					
Bank Fees	337	-	-			381
Uncleared Cheques	100	-	-			1690
A3 Sub total	15059	-	-			28741
A4 Asset and investment purchases (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance)						
Purchase of investments	-	-	-		-	-
Loans made	-	-	-		-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-		-	-
Total payments	15059	-	-			28741
Net of receipts/(payments)	3374	-	-		-	-12579
A5 Transfers between funds		-			-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	3641					16220
Cash funds this year end	7115	-	-			3641

4.2 Notes to the Accounts

4.2.1 Restricted Funds

The Friends of Creggan does not operate with Restricted Funds.

4.2.2 Trustees' Expenses

No expenses were paid to any of the Trustees during the year except to reimburse them for purchases made on behalf of the Friends of Creggan.

4.2.3 Trustees' Indemnity Insurance

No charitable funds have been used to purchase insurance to indemnify the Trustees against the consequences of any neglect or default on their part.

4.2.4 Accounting Policies

Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 permits a charity to prepare a receipts and payments account and a statement of assets and liabilities where gross income in the financial year does not exceed £250,000, therefore receipts and payments accounts and a statement of assets and liabilities has been prepared and presented for the year ended March 31st 2024.

All Income is recorded when received. All Expenditure is recorded when paid.


4.4 Independent Scrutiny

In the year ended March 31st 2024 gross income did not exceed £25,000 and therefore, in accordance with the sections 144 & 145 of the Charities Act 2011 no audit or independent examination is required. The accounts for the Friends of Creggan were last verified up to 31 March 2023 and the Trustees have taken the decision to have another independent verification of the accounts for the 2023/24 financial year.

4.5 Cheques not cleared at bank at 31st March 2024

At 31st March 2024 there was 1 cheque issued by the Friends of Creggan totalling £100 which had not cleared at the bank.

Approved and adopted by a meeting of the Executive Committee on 4th September 2024 and signed on their behalf.

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Maire Nawaz
Chairwoman

5. Reference and Administrative Details

5.1 Charity Name

Friends of Creggan Primary School which is also known as Friends of Creggan.

5.2 Charity Number

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland.
Charity Reference: NIC104164

5.3 Principal Address

118 Staffordstown Road
Randalstown
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5.4 Charity Trustees as of March 31st 2024

Mrs Maire Nawaz	<i>Chairperson</i>
Mrs Joan Letters	<i>Secretary</i>
Mrs Anne Marie Keane	<i>Treasurer</i>
Mrs Sinead Lynch	<i>Assist Treasurer</i>
Mrs Deirdre Graffin	<i>Deputy Chair</i>
Mrs Caoimhe Totten	<i>PR Officer</i>
Mrs Roisin Dumbleton	
Mrs Donna Fullan	
Mrs Joan Martin	
Mrs Dolores Totten	
Mrs Fionnuala Donnelly	
Mr Oliver O'Hara	
Mrs Nicola Murray	
Mrs Sinead Sargent	

5.5 Other Charity Trustees in the year to March 31st 2024

In the year to March 31st 2024 there were no other Charity Trustees.

6. Structure, Governance, and Management

6.1 Governing Document and Constitution

The Friends of Creggan is an unincorporated association and is governed by a constitution adopted in September 2015; this is attached at Annex A.

The Friends of Creggan is run and managed entirely by the Trustees, with assistance given from members of the school and the local wider community when running events,

6.2 Trustee Selection and Management

The Friends of Creggan is managed by the Trustees listed above. The Trustees meet formally typically once every two months.

At each meeting the Treasurer presents the latest accounts and these are reviewed against budgets and forecasts; spending is discussed and approved. Officers may authorise some spending between meetings, but must ensure such spending is reported at the next meeting. All payments are made by cheque and must be signed by two of the designated signatories for the Friends of Creggan bank account.

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The Friends of Creggan Annual Report and Statement of Accounts have been approved by the trustees at a meeting on 4th September 2024.

7. Objectives and Activities

7.1 Charitable Objectives

The objectives of the Friends of Creggan as set out in our Constitution is to advance the education of pupils in the school in particular by:

- Developing effective relationships between the staff, parents and others associated with the school; and
- Engaging in activities or providing facilities or equipment which support the school and advance the education of the pupils.

7.2 Public Benefit Statement

The Friends of Creggan Primary School has a number of key Public Benefits. These are outlined below.

7.2.1 Purpose 1: Improved relationships between home and school

The benefit which flows from this purpose includes funding for additional resources for the school and links built with the local community. This is demonstrated through having an active PTA that works in partnership with the school and engages parental support. This purpose does not lead to harm. The benefit is for children at Creggan PS.

Charity trustees (PTA committee members) are usually also parents at the school which their children attend and hence gain benefit in the same way as all other beneficiaries. This benefit is incidental and necessary to ensure the benefit is provided to all beneficiaries.

7.2.2 Purpose 2: Advancing the education of pupils in the school

The benefit which flows from this purpose includes increased educational progress and attainment of pupils in the school and links built with the local community. This is demonstrated through pupils having access to resources, events, activities and links with the local community which are not available through direct school funding. This purpose does not lead to harm. The benefit is for children at Creggan PS.

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The Trustees of Friends of Creggan confirm that they have complied with their duty under section 17 (5) of the Charities Act 2011 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 March 31st 2024.

In evaluating public benefit the trustees note that membership of the Friends of Creggan is open to all who share an interest in the charitable objectives of the Friends of Creggan. All pupils at Creggan Primary School are also able to benefit from the events run and the funds raised by the Friends of Creggan.

7.3 Summary of Main Activities & Achievement

7.3.1 Activities

The main activities undertaken by the Friends of Creggan Primary School throughout the 2023/24 Financial Year include another successful Club 150 Draw.

7.3.2 Achievements

Main achievements for the Friends of Creggan Primary School in this reporting period include the ability to fund vital educational and communication channels for the school. These include:

- Funding the school website
- Funding the school to parent (Teachers2Parents) text messaging system
- Funding to support a school Literacy Programme
- Funding to support provision of GL Assessment material
- Providing a financial contribution to the annual Primary 7 End-of-Year day out
- Funding Athletics
- Funding Parent Pay

Approved and adopted by a meeting of the Trustees on 4th September 2024 and signed on their behalf.



Maire Nawaz
Chairperson

Friends of Creggan Primary School

Northern Ireland - Charity number 104164

Annual return

KIEMAC ACCOUNTING

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention.

Independent examiners statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns. I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Your faithfully,


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Signed

Kiera Maguire A.C.A

KIEMAC ACCOUNTING

Friends of Creggan Primary School

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Accounts

Charity Name

Friends of Creggan PS

Charity No. (if any)

NIC104164

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/04/2022	To	31/03/2023	
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Fundraising activities	15,661	-	-	15,661	12,331
Interest on deposit account				-	
Dividend on investments				-	
Members' subscriptions				-	
Charitable trading receipts				-	
Rents from land & buildings				-	
Other charitable receipts	500			500	1,000
A1 Sub total (Gross income for the Annual Return)	16,161	-	-	16,161	13,331
A2 Asset and investment sales (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance).					
Proceeds from sale of fixed asset		-	-	-	-
Loan repayments received		-	-	-	-
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	16,161	-	-	16,161	13,331

A3 Payments

Cost of fundraising events	8,020	-	-	8,020	4,296
Gross trading payments					
Investment management costs					
Direct charitable activity	20,224			20,224	
Grants & donations paid					
Governance costs	116			116	111
Other costs					

Bank fees	381		-	381	183
	-	-	-	-	-
A3 Sub total	28,741	-	-	28,741	4,590

A4 Asset and investment purchases (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance)

Purchase of investments	-	-	-	-	-
Loans made	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments	28,741	-	-	28,741	4,590
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Net of receipts/(payments)	- 12,579	-	-	12,579	8,741
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A5 Transfers between funds		-		-	-
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A6 Cash funds last year end	16,220			16,220	7,479
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Cash funds this year end	3,641	-	-	3,641	16,220
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Annual report



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2.2 Income

Income receipts for the year totalled £16161.31. The Friends of Creggan's income is generally healthy and remains consistent with previous performance.

2.3 Expenditure

Expenditure for the year totalled £28740.51. Expenditure is well managed and controlled with all transactions fully accounted for within the detailed records held by the charity Treasurer.

2.4 Stock

As of March 31st 2023 the FOC did not hold any stock.

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3. Major Risks

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Justin Keane
Chairman

4. Accounts for the Year ended March 31st 2023

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Interest on deposit account				-		
Dividend on investments				-		
Members' subscriptions				-		
Charitable trading receipts				-		
Rents from land & buildings				-		
Other charitable receipts				-		
A1 Sub total (Gross income for the Annual Return)	16161	-	-	16161	13331	
A2 Asset and investment sales (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance).						
Proceeds from sale of fixed asset		-	-	-	-	
Loan repayments received		-	-	-	-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	
Total receipts	16161	-	-	16161	13331	
A3 Payments						

Cost of fundraising events	8020	-	-	8020	3296
Gross trading payments					
Investment management costs					
Direct charitable activity	18534			18534	
Grants & donations paid					
Governance costs	116			116	111
Other costs					
Bank Fees	381	-	-	381	183
Uncleared Cheques	1690	-	-	1690	1000
A3 Sub total	28741	-	-	28741	4590
A4 Asset and investment purchases (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance)					
Purchase of investments	-	-	-	-	-
Loans made	-	-	-	-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	28741	-	-	28741	4590
Net of receipts/(payments)	-12579	-	-	-12579	8741
A5 Transfers between funds		-		-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	16220			16220	7479
Cash funds this year end	3641	-	-	3641	16220

4.2 Notes to the Accounts

4.2.1 Restricted Funds

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Chairman

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Mrs Donna Mc Guckian	<i>Secretary</i>
Mrs Anne Marie Keane	<i>Treasurer</i>
Mrs Deirdre Graffin	<i>Deputy Chair</i>
Mrs Marie Therese	<i>PR Officer</i>
Mrs Roisin Dumbleton	
Mrs Donna Fullan	
Mrs Joan Martin	
Mrs Dolores Totten	
Mrs Fionnuala Donnelly	
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Mrs Sinead Sargent	

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- Developing effective relationships between the staff, parents and others associated with the school; and
- Engaging in activities or providing facilities or equipment which support the school and advance the education of the pupils.

7.2 Public Benefit Statement

The Friends of Creggan Primary School has a number of key Public Benefits. These are outlined below.

7.2.1 Purpose 1: Improved relationships between home and school

The benefit which flows from this purpose includes funding for additional resources for the school and links built with the local community. This is demonstrated through having an active PTA that works in partnership with the school and engages parental support. This purpose does not lead to harm. The benefit is for children at Creggan PS.

Charity trustees (PTA committee members) are usually also parents at the school which their children attend and hence gain benefit in the same way as all other beneficiaries. This benefit is incidental and necessary to ensure the benefit is provided to all beneficiaries.

7.2.2 Purpose 2: Advancing the education of pupils in the school

The benefit which flows from this purpose includes increased educational progress and attainment of pupils in the school and links built with the local community. This is demonstrated through pupils having access to resources, events, activities and links with the local community which are not available through direct school funding. This purpose does not lead to harm. The benefit is for children at Creggan PS.

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The Trustees of Friends of Creggan confirm that they have complied with their duty under section 17 (5) of the Charities Act 2011 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 March 31st 2023.

In evaluating public benefit the trustees note that membership of the Friends of Creggan is open to all who share an interest in the charitable objectives of the Friends of Creggan. All pupils at Creggan Primary School are also able to benefit from the events run and the funds raised by the Friends of Creggan.

7.3 Summary of Main Activities & Achievement

7.3.1 Activities

The main activities undertaken by the Friends of Creggan Primary School throughout the 2022/23 Financial Year include another successful Club 150 Draw.

7.3.2 Achievements

Main achievements for the Friends of Creggan Primary School in this reporting period include the ability to fund vital educational and communication channels for the school. These include:

- Funding the school website
- Funding the school to parent (Teachers2Parents) text messaging system
- Funding to support a school Literacy Programme
- Funding to support provision of GL Assessment material
- Providing a financial contribution to the annual Primary 7 End-of-Year day out
- Providing 5 New Whiteboards to the School.

Approved and adopted by a meeting of the Trustees on 21st September 2023 and signed on their behalf.



Justin Keane
Chairman

Friends of Creggan Primary School

Northern Ireland - Charity number 104164

Annual return

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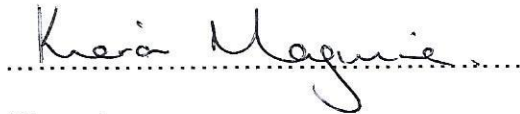
My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention.

Independent examiners statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns. I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Your faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kiera Maguire" is written over a horizontal dotted line.

Signed

Kiera Maguire A.C.A
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