

**Mullavilly Parish Church**

**Trustees' Annual report and Statement of Receipts and Payments  
and Assets and Liabilities**

**for the year ended 31 December 2023**

**Charities Number – NIC104177**



# Mullavilly Parish Church

Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

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## References and administrative details

Charity Name: Mullavilly Parish Church

Charity Registration Number: NIC104177

Contact Address: Mullavilly Road  
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## Trustees

Ven Elizabeth Cairns, David Shortt, Wendy Walsh, Julie Magowan, Helen Milligan, Jamie Uprichard, Emma Cairns, Pauline Martin, Sarah Milne, Jim King, Valerie Milne, Andrew Milne, Robert Jennett, Jim Cairns, Alan Cairns, Christopher Murtagh and Yvonne Neill.

William McDonald, Caroline Whitten, Christine Neill, Herbie Pearson and John Neill resigned as trustees on 18 April 2023.

Helen Milligan, Jamie Uprichard, Emma Cairns, Pauline Martin and Sarah Milne were appointed as trustees on 18 April 2023.

## Principal Office-bearers

Clergy: Ven Elizabeth Cairns  
Honorary Treasurer: Wendy Walsh  
Honorary Secretary: Julie Magowan  
Church Warden: Clergy: Helen Milligan  
Church Warden: People: Jamie Uprichard

## Independent Examiner

Wylie Ruddell  
Chartered Accountants & Statutory Auditors  
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## Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023

The Trustees present the Annual Report and Statements of Receipts and Payments and Assets and Liabilities for Mullavilly Parish Church for the year ended 31 December 2023.

### Objectives and Activities

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

The principal function of Mullavilly Parish Church is to support the advancement of the Christian religion by promoting, through the work of Mullavilly Parish Church the whole mission of the Church, pastoral evangelistic, social and ecumenical. Being open to the 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 the Christian religion, Mullavilly Parish Church has custody of property and of records, materials and artefact of significance to the cultural and religious heritage and maintenance of which is undertaken by the Select Vestry of Mullavilly Parish Church.

### Achievements, Performance & Public Benefit

Below you will find a summary of the main activities undertaken by the Parish to carry out its charitable purposes for the public benefit and the main achievements during the year. This will include its purposes, activities, achievements, beneficiaries, etc.

#### Sunday Worship

Sunday Services at 9.30am, 11am and at 7pm for special occasions throughout the year.

This included a range of different types of services such as Holy Communion, Family Services, Baptism Services, Morning Prayer, Healing Services, Weddings and Funerals, with special Praise Services in September and December.

Our 'Church Mice' group of pre-school age children recommenced during the year and a small number avail of this each Sunday as required.

Our Sunday School and 'Junior Bible Class' meet each week around 20-25 children.

*Our Weekly Activities meet the needs of a wide range of ages and people in the parish and community. For the purposes of this report it is best to record all these activities individually.*

**Rainbows/Brownies** – Girls 4-7 years, 7-10 years. For games, learning, craft and social interaction.

**Bumblebees** – For parents and toddlers offering help, friendship and support to young families. Work is going on in the background to reinstate this after Covid and leaders are being put in place.

**Mothers Union** – A group of ladies that promotes and supports family life at home and abroad.

**Badminton Club & Bowling Club** - Both are open to the whole community and for all ages.

**Friendship Group & Monthly Soup Lunch** – For the more senior members of the community.

**Knit and Natter** – Craft group began to encourage and learn from each other in different crafts.

**Pastoral Visiting Team** – Assisting the Rector in Pastoral Care of the housebound and elderly.

## Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

**Mission Outreach at Home and Abroad** - Mullavilly is committed to reaching out to our local community with the Good News of God's Love through our witness in Word and Action. We continue to help in practical ways, as and when possible, through organisations such as Food Bank.

**Apple Blossom Baby Basics** – This was and still is a vital outreach to the wider community, providing a Moses Basket or a Baby Bath filled with essential items for a new mum and her baby. It is for those who have found themselves in a difficult situation or who are going through tough times due to the loss of a job, human trafficking, homelessness or suffering abuse.

Our **Annual BBQ** was taken up with the King's Coronation Celebrations at the beginning of May, and this was open to all of the community to come along and join in our special service and lunch.

**New Church Organ Project** – Many events were held during the year to help raise funds for a new church organ. The old organ has not been working since before the pandemic and the church and wider community have got together to raise funds and support this effort in events such as Big Breakfasts, Praise and Pudding evening, Rector's Sit-out, Mullavilly Mementoes and Christmas cards, Afternoon Teas, Quiz sheets, Guess the number of sweets, Tractor ploughing, to name but a few.

The **Church Hall** is a vital asset to the Parish and wider community to enable outreach to take place.

### Child Protection

As a Parish we adhere to the Church of Ireland Child Protection Policy – Safeguarding Trust, and all of our leaders have been through Access NI checks and have attended the appropriate training.

### Financial Review

- Provide an overview of the Parish's financial position at the reporting date.
- Explain Trustee's policy on holding reserves.
- If any funds were materially in deficit at the end of the year and steps taken to eliminate the deficit.

### 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 31 December 2023 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 a least three months, may register as members of the general vestry of the Parish, allowing them to attend and vote at meetings of the general vestry and to 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.



## Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

### Pay and remuneration

The Incumbent of the Parish is paid a stipend, locomotory allowance and office expenses in accordance with figures approved by the General Synod of the Church of Ireland.

### Organisational Structure

The Select Vestry is responsible for the day-to-day management of the Parish. The Select Vestry consists of the member of the clergy serving in the Parish, the churchwardens, the glebe wardens and generally no more than twelve other members of the general vestry are elected at the General Vestry.

The Select Vestry is chaired by the incumbent or other member of the clergy officiating in the Parish. Select Vestry members are responsible for making decisions on matters of general concern and importance to the Parish including decisions around how Parish funds are to be applied.

The Select Vestry meets at times fixed by the members or by the Diocesan Synod. Special meetings may be convened at any time by the chairperson or the churchwardens. In 2023 the Select Vestry met eight times during the year and the average attendance was 80.9%.

### 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.

### Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and 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 of 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.

### Signed on Behalf of the Trustees



Mrs Wendy Walsh, Honorary Treasurer

Mrs Julie Magowan, Honorary Secretary



Date: 9<sup>th</sup> April 2024

## Independent examiner's report to the Charity Trustees of Mullavilly Parish Church

We report on the accounts of Mullavilly Parish Church for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

### 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 our 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 our attention.

### Basis of Independent examiner's report

We have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and our 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.

Our 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.

Our role is to state whether any material matters have come to our attention giving us 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

We have completed our 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, we have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.



**A Cornett**

**For and on behalf of Wylie Ruddell**

**Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors**

**Unit 63**

**Armagh Business Centre**

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**Date: 9<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

## Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
<b>Income</b>						
Donations and plate collections	82,221	9,016	91,237	76,817	7,693	84,510
Special collections	1,844	-	1,844	1,855	439	2,294
Fund raising events	-	33,448	33,448	100	4,025	4,125
Gift Aid received	18,840	-	18,840	14,919	-	14,919
Grant income energy support scheme	600	-	600	-	-	-
Sundry income/Other receipts	570	2,620	3,190	3,086	3,300	6,386
Bank and investment income	1,307	-	1,307	1,239	-	1,239
Donations for use of hall	850	-	850	230	-	230
Receipts from parish organisations	-	3,700	3,700	-	3,142	3,142
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>106,232</b>	<b>48,784</b>	<b>155,016</b>	<b>98,246</b>	<b>18,599</b>	<b>116,845</b>
<b>Expenses</b>						
Gratuities	10,423	-	10,423	10,181	-	10,181
Diocesan costs	35,775	35,822	71,597	67,247	-	67,247
Church running costs	10,940	131	11,071	8,140	3,186	11,326
Glebe costs	1,114	-	1,114	1,573	379	1,952
Parish centre costs	965	-	965	1,957	2,370	4,327
Administration costs	4,298	102	4,400	3,865	1,273	5,138
Fundraising costs	-	1,091	1,091	400	769	1,169
Charitable donations	9,514	2,824	12,338	8,024	176	8,200
Other sundry expenses	-	-	-	212	880	1,092
Payments for parish organisations	-	3,914	3,914	-	1,825	1,825
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>73,029</b>	<b>43,884</b>	<b>116,913</b>	<b>101,599</b>	<b>10,858</b>	<b>112,457</b>
<b>Surplus/(deficit) before transfers</b>	<b>33,203</b>	<b>4,900</b>	<b>38,103</b>	<b>(3,353)</b>	<b>7,741</b>	<b>4,388</b>
<b>Transfers</b>	<b>(39,093)</b>	<b>39,093</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(659)</b>	<b>659</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Surplus/(deficit) after transfers</b>	<b>(5,890)</b>	<b>43,993</b>	<b>38,103</b>	<b>(4,012)</b>	<b>8,400</b>	<b>4,388</b>

On Behalf of the Trustees



Mrs Wendy Walsh, Honorary Treasurer

Mrs Julie Magowan, Honorary Secretary



Date: 9<sup>th</sup> April 2024



## Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2023

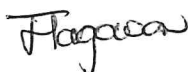
	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
<b>Cash Funds</b>						
Current Accounts	10,339	102,296	112,635	16,229	58,303	74,532
<b>Total Cash Funds</b>	<b>10,339</b>	<b>102,296</b>	<b>112,635</b>	<b>16,229</b>	<b>58,303</b>	<b>74,532</b>
<b>Investment Assets</b>						
Investment in RCB Unit Trusts	8,582	-	8,582	8,582	-	8,582
<b>Total Investment Assets</b>	<b>8,582</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,582</b>	<b>8,582</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,582</b>
<b>Assets retained for the Parish's own use</b>						
Glebe House	-	350,000	350,000	-	350,000	350,000
<b>Total Assets retained for the Parish's own use</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>350,000</b>	<b>350,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>350,000</b>	<b>350,000</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>18,921</b>	<b>452,296</b>	<b>471,217</b>	<b>24,811</b>	<b>408,303</b>	<b>433,114</b>

On Behalf of the Trustees



Mrs Wendy Walsh, Treasurer

Mrs Julie Magowan, Secretary



Date: 9<sup>th</sup> April 2024

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

### 1 Accounting policies

Set out below are principal accounting policies which have been adopted in the compilation of the Receipts and Payments Account and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

#### (a) Receipts and Payments Account

All items of income and expenditure included within the Receipts and Payments Account have been accounted for on a cash receipts basis.

#### (b) Statement of Assets and Liabilities

##### (i) Assets retained for the Parish's own use

The assets of the Parish, retained for its own use comprise:-

- Church Building and Graveyard
- Parish Centre
- Glebe House

The Church Building and Graveyard are deemed to be Heritage assets as defined by the Charities SORP (FRS102).

These Heritage assets are not included in the statement of assets and liabilities as information on the cost or valuation is not available and such information cannot be obtained at a cost commensurate with the benefit to the users of the accounts and to the Parish.

The Parish Centre

- Was rebuilt in 2000. There are no reliable records of the cost of this construction and valuation approach for such a building lacks sufficient reliability. As a result this building is not recognised in the Parish Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

Glebe House is recognised at the current market value of £350,000, based on the formal valuation carried out by Hannath Estate Agents in September 2022. No depreciation has been provided on the Glebe House as the current estimated residual value is not less than its carrying value and the remaining useful life currently exceeds 50 years.

##### (ii) Investments

Fixed asset investments comprising investment in RCB Unit Trusts are initially recorded at cost and are then subsequently stated at fair value at each year end date.

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

### 2 Reconciliation of Cash Funds

	£
Total Cash Funds at Beginning of the year	74,532
Receipts for the year	155,016
Payments for the year	(116,913)
<b>Total Cash Funds at end of the year</b>	<b>112,635</b>

### 3 Movement in funds

	At 1 January 2023 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Revaluation £	Transfers £	At 31 December 2023 £
<b>Restricted funds</b>						
Buildings Fund	34,538	5,588	(36,003)	-	35,772	<b>39,895</b>
Alison Conn Fund	18	-	-	-	-	<b>18</b>
Mission and Outreach Fund	2,661	-	(572)	-	400	<b>2,489</b>
Parish Organisations Fund	10,209	3,700	(3,914)	-	100	<b>10,095</b>
Graveyard Fund	4,962	2,571	(2)	-	50	<b>7,581</b>
Project Fund	5,915	36,925	(3,393)	-	2,771	<b>42,218</b>
Glebe House	350,000	-	-	-	-	<b>350,000</b>
	<b>408,303</b>	<b>48,784</b>	<b>(43,884)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>39,093</b>	<b>452,296</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>						
Project Fund						
General Fund	16,229	106,232	(73,029)	-	(39,093)	<b>10,339</b>
Investment in RCB Unit Trusts	8,582	-	-	-	-	<b>8,582</b>
	<b>24,811</b>	<b>106,232</b>	<b>(73,029)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(39,093)</b>	<b>18,921</b>
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>433,114</b>	<b>155,016</b>	<b>(116,913)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>471,217</b>

#### Purposes of Restricted Funds

- Alison Conn Fund: This is a fund to provide support for young people
- Buildings Fund: This is a fund to assist with the cost of maintaining, improving and developing our existing buildings.
- Mission and Outreach Fund: This is a fund to be used to develop our Mission responsibilities both home and abroad.
- Parish Organisations Fund: This consists of the individual accounts for the various Parish Organisations. Each account is deemed to be restricted as the monies are specifically for the purposes of meeting the aims and objectives of each organisation.
- Graveyard Fund: This fund is to assist with the cost of maintaining, improving and developing our existing graveyard.
- Project Fund: This fund is being used for the purposes of recording the fundraising income and expenditure in relation to the Organ Project.

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

### 4 Collections for and Donations to Third Parties

Collections	2023	2022
	£	£
Bishop's Appeal	1,210	1,255
Hospice Appeal	350	600
LEMOS	269	-
Healing Service	15	-
Smartie Tubes – Lenten / CMS Ireland	-	439
	<b>1,844</b>	<b>2,294</b>

Donations	2023	2022
	£	£
Donations to church charities - Bishops Appeal	2,630	-
SAMS	2,200	2,200
Church Army	300	300
Bible Society	500	500
Christian Aid	400	400
CMS Ireland	1,539	1,100
LEMOS	269	-
Leprosy Mission	200	200
NI Hospice appeal	1,475	1,125
Poppy Appeal	25	25
Support for Church organisations	-	176
Diocesan Hospice Appeal	-	600
Diocesan Board of Ministry – Healing Service	50	-
Diocesan Board of Ministry – Confirmation service	-	194
Air Ambulance	2,385	-
Bishop's appeal – Advent collection	365	125
Bishop's appeal – Ukraine	-	1,255
	<b>12,338</b>	<b>8,200</b>

The above amounts have been included in receipts for the year under “Special collections” and payments for the year under “Charitable donations”.



## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

### 5 Transactions with the Trustees

The Parish paid expenses of £Nil (2022: £Nil) relating to the reimbursement for repairs and running costs of Glebe House which is occupied by the rector.

The following Trustees received reimbursement for services and expense provided to the Parish during the year:

Jim King: £2,674  
Wendy Walsh: £4,637  
Valerie Milne: £113  
Jim Cairns: £54

The Ven Elizabeth Cairns received £173 by way of reimbursement for expense provided to the Parish during the year.