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**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023
for
First Holywood Presbyterian Church**

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First Hollywood Presbyterian Church

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for the year ended 31 December 2023**

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Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2023

First Holywood Presbyterian Church is a Christian organisation derived from a Declaration of Trust and it is a registered charity, registration number NIC 104336.

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

First Holywood Congregation is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The Presbyterian Church in Ireland, as a Reformed Church within the wider body of Christ is grounded in the Scriptures, and exists to love and honour God through faith in His Son and by the power of His Spirit, and to enable her members to play their part in fulfilling God's mission to our world.

The congregation's mission purpose is to seek to enable people of all ages to discover Christ and to follow Him, to celebrate Him together and to learn how God's truth can change and equip us for effective service in the community and the wider world.

The congregation aims to live out its Mission and Vision as a family of God's people by being:

- A Covenant Community: where our relationships are rooted in the promises of God by living faithfully toward him and toward one another
- An Intergenerational Community: where adults intentionally take the lead to engage with, encourage and nurture younger members to maturity in Christ.
- An Outward looking Community: where we want the blessings of God that belong to us in the gospel to become blessings for others beyond the bounds of our community.
- As a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, we believe that the Bible is the supreme authority over all we do, and that the Westminster Confession of Faith, along with the Larger and Shorter Catechisms set out what we understand the Bible teaches on key matters of Christian faith and practice

Significant activities

The congregation meets for worship every Sunday and visitors are welcome to join. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is observed on several occasions during the year and all those who have been baptised and who have made a profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are admitted to the Lord's Supper. The congregation holds regular bible study meetings and has a wide range of organisations including

- Children's Ministry
- Connect (for teenagers)
- Tots R Us (Mothers and Toddlers)
- Women's Morning Bible Study
- Home and fellowship groups
- Presbyterian Women
- Thursday Club (for senior citizens)
- Luncheon Club (for senior citizens)
- Young Life (for teenagers)
- Girls Brigade and Explorers
- Arts & Crafty Folk

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Public benefit

The Presbyterian Church in Ireland meets the public benefit requirement by providing benefit to its members and the general public by making known the Christian Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ through the advancement of religion. The direct benefits which flow from the purposes of the Church include the gaining of an understanding in Christian beliefs as set out in the Bible and in the Church's subordinate standards (the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Shorter and Larger Catechisms) leading to spiritual and moral development and opportunities for response to Bible teaching. In turn, this framework leads to practical expressions of Christian beliefs and standards in the local community such as through the care of those in need (including the sick, disabled and bereaved).

Generally the above benefits are delivered locally by congregations and their members, or are facilitated through presbyteries or are organised and delivered centrally. Local delivery is facilitated by central resources in almost all cases. Public access is made known through the use of noticeboards, printed material, press advertisement, websites, and social media or in other ways.

The benefits are demonstrated through regular evaluation of the services and informal and ad-hoc feedback from members, their families, and members of the public.

The purpose does not lead to harm. The only private benefit flowing from our purpose is related to Ministers, Missionaries, Deaconesses, Irish Mission workers and Lay Agents who receive benefits as a result of their holding office or employment. However, this is incidental and necessary in order to further our charitable purpose. There are no other private benefits. The beneficiaries of this purpose are members, their families, other individuals that the Presbyterian Church in Ireland is in direct and indirect contact with, the community in which pastoral services are provided and other communities throughout Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, and worldwide which benefit from our engagement with and support for both Christian and other secular organisations, charities and individual members of the public.

The Kirk Session has had regard to the Charity Commissions public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable Activities

Minister's Review

We give thanks to God, Father, Son and Spirit for the grace by which we have been called, gathered, led and empowered to live as members of the church of Christ, in First Holywood Presbyterian.

In this report, we do more than note facts and figures, by which any organisation may give account for itself. We give all glory to God for the signs of his blessing and purpose for us and through us, as we continue to put him first in all things, and work together for the building of his kingdom, in Holywood and far beyond.

In this year we were blessed to welcome new staff members - Maria Lopez-Melus as administrator, Amy Hunter as Coordinator for Children's and Youth Ministry, and Cathy Smith as student deaconess. We gave thanks for the continuing work of our Kirk Session, as we marked the retirement of Anne White and Scott Burnside, and the handing over of the Clerk's role from Craig Russell to Mark Baillie. We have been blessed and encouraged to see not only the continuation, but the growth of various ministries of the church, engaging a wide range of ages and interests within the church family and wider community.

The Clerk's report will highlight in more detail, some of the changes in leadership and roles during 2023, as well as a new mission partnership strategy, and Kirk Session working structure, all of which are proving fruitful in our ongoing work and witness.

I want to note my own thanks to our staff team for 2023 (Maria Lopez-Melus, Kathleen Spence, Christine McClenahan, Helen Jeffrey, Charles Maginnes, Amy Hunter and Cathy Smith), Kirk Session, committee members, treasurer, organisational leaders and helpers for their dedication, inspiration and creativity.

Thanks are also due to all those of you, our members, who faithfully support and enthusiastically participate in the many and varied aspects of our church life. As a worshipping family of faith, God has called each of us to play our part, and each is as important as the next, within this body.

I pray that these reports, will move us to further praise of the Lord for his goodness and faithfulness, and inspire us to spur one another on, in the work of his kingdom mission through the life, witness and fellowship of First Holywood Presbyterian Church.

Grace and peace to you.

Rev. Stuart McCrea

Kirk Session

In May 2023, Craig Russell stood down as Clerk of Session having served in the role for four years from May 2019. The Session and Congregation of First Holywood is hugely grateful to Craig for his diligent and faithful leadership during his tenure. Craig served in the role in one of the most challenging periods faced by the Church in recent memory with the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic. He further had to play a central role in guiding the Church at this time while we did not have a Minister in post.

Craig served as Clerk with a steady hand and put to excellent use his considerable legal and theological talents. He also managed to maintain his good humour and grace in what were at times very difficult circumstances. We are grateful to God for his providence in leading and gifting Craig for this role. He was the right person for the role at the right time. As his successor, I would also want to put on record my thanks to his wife Jenny, and children Lily and Emma, for their support to Craig during his tenure and for the sacrifices they made.

We are grateful to God for how he continued to work and move in the Church family at First Holywood in 2023. Session met on eight occasions in 2023 as we sought to provide spiritual leadership to the congregation.

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In 2023, we had three new staff join our staff team. In January, Maria Lopez-Melus joined as our new Office administrator; in May, Amy Hunter joined as our Children and Youth Co-ordinator; and in September, Cathy Smith joined as our student deaconess. We want to express our gratitude to Maria, Amy and Cathy for the many ways in which they contributed to the life and witness of First Holywood in 2023.

First Holywood supported six charities through our Mission Partnerships initiative: Flourish NI, Scripture Union North Down, Christians in Sport, the Irish Bible Institute, Jengana and Mercy Ships. Several of these organisations led services throughout the year.

In September, Session adopted a new structure which introduced six new sub-groups covering the different areas of the mission and life of the Church. These six groups covered Children and Youth Ministry; Discipleship; Finance and Administration; Mission and Social Justice; Pastoral Care; and Prayer. Each of the groups is led by an elder and we hope that the development of the groups will help the Church to witness to the difference that the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ makes in the Holywood of today.

In 2023, two of our elders retired from Session. Firstly, Anne White in March and secondly Scott Burnside in May. Anne, who was ordained as an elder in 2011, had served for several years as the Presbytery representative for First Holywood and was a consistent advocate for the central importance of mission and social justice on Session. Scott, who became an elder in 2007, retired on the corresponding Sunday to his ordination sixteen years before. He had served for many years as the Chair of the Finance Sub-Committee of Session and ably ensured that Session was kept informed of financial matters during his time. The congregation of First Holywood is grateful to both Anne and Scott for their faithful service; both "ruled well" (1 Timothy 5:17) during their years of service.

We were grateful for the work of Graeme Thompson as Treasurer and for the role of Caroline Thompson and Andrew Nugent as child protection designated persons. These are roles of vital importance to the life of the Church and we continue to be thankful to God that we have people of such calibre willing to serve in these roles.

As well as child protection considerations being a regular item of session agenda, we received useful updates from Anne White as our Presbytery elder up to March and by her replacement Lynda Francis. Their willingness to serve in this way is hugely appreciated. We want to thank elder Graeme Thompson (not to be confused with our Treasurer Graeme Thompson) for serving as our representative elder at General Assembly in June alongside our Minister, Stuart McCrea. The importance of the support and guidance of Presbytery and the wider Church remains amply apparent to members of First Holywood and we are thankful for how God uses the different parts of his Church to his glory.

We were glad to join together again with our brothers and sisters in High Street congregation for four Sunday services in July. We were also grateful for the ongoing work of church committee and others in attending to many practical issues of the church and manse.

Ultimately, we give thanks to God who has called us out of darkness in to his marvellous light for his grace to us as a Church family in 2023. It is our hope and prayer that we may continue to seek his glory in all that we do.

"For from him and through him and for him are all things.
To him be the glory forever! Amen." (Romans 11:36)

Mark Baillie (Clerk of Session from May 2023)

CHURCH COMMITTEE

The Congregational Committee of the church is charged with the responsibility of 'administration of the temporal affairs of the congregation'. Members are elected from the congregation to serve on the committee for a three-year term at which point a new committee is elected.

Office Bearers - The following were Committee Office Bearers during the year:

Chairperson: Trevor Reaney

Secretary: Christina Baillie

Treasurer: Graeme Thompson

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Sub Committees

The following Sub Committees served during the year:

The Finance Sub Committee which was chaired by Scott Burnside until May 2023 and following this Fiona Woods was appointed as the chair. Throughout 2023, the Sub Committee was made up of Scott Burnside, Fiona Woods, Graeme Thompson, Rev Stuart McCrea, Craig Russell, Robert Conlon, Rachael Mason, Trevor Reaney, Mark Baillie and Christina Baillie. In May 2023, Scott Burnside retired as an elder and therefore stepped down from his role on the Committee. In May 2023, Craig Russell stepped down as Clerk of Session and Mark Baillie took up this role in June 2023. In September 2023, Rachael Mason resigned from the Committee.

Those responsible for Property were Albert Hall and Peter Moran.

The Welcoming and Hospitality Sub Committee has been composed of Cheryl Harbinson, Elinor Cairnduff and Liz Reaney.

The Communications Sub Committee was made up of Jenny Russell, Ben Harbinson and Zoe Woods.

In March 2023, Colin Dewar resigned from the Committee.

Business during the year

While the Treasurer will issue a separate report on all financial matters, it is appropriate to express our thanks on behalf of the congregation to Graeme Thompson for serving in his role throughout 2023. The work of the Sub Committee has allowed for the ministry and mission of the church to continue through the year. In particular, there has been significant amounts given to support young people and young adults attending and serving through summer camps and missions, as well as contributions made to the organisations chosen to be supported through the mission partnerships scheme.

The Property Sub Committee worked consistently through the year responding to various issues which related to the church property and manse. There have been many minor to intermediate issues which have been dealt with efficiently, cost effectively and to a high standard. In early 2023, issues with the flue of the boiler providing heat to the church sanctuary meant alternate arrangements and repairs to the flue were required to support church services to continue. The Property Sub Committee put arrangements in place.

Regarding the Communications Sub Committee, there has been a significant piece of work completed to design and implement a new logo, house style and website for the church. This has updated the online and print representation of the church in a modern and clear style. The website is easy to navigate and holds lots of information for church members or those seeking to find out more about the church.

In respect of the Welcoming and Hospitality Sub Committee, the members continue to facilitate rotas and co-ordination which allow many practical aspects of the church to flourish. The lunch club continues to provide support to individuals who can gather during the day for a meal and connection.

In 2023, the Chairperson and Secretary reviewed the costs and terms for use of premises to those using the church facilities. This has been implemented and the church property continues to offer premises to various organisations, groups and private events.

Throughout 2023, there has been significant progress achieved by the Committee and the extensive service and work given by members is greatly appreciated.

Following Nicola Lynn's resignation as our Church Secretary, Maria Lopez-Melus was appointed and has been an excellent addition to our staff team. Maria has worked throughout 2023 in relation to many practical and administrative issues which support the work of the Committee and beyond to the wider church family. We are incredibly grateful to Maria for all she has done throughout this year.

Christina Baillie (Secretary)

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Freewill Offering in the General Account was £166,616 up 19% on last year, although still lower than per-pandemic levels of 2019, along with slightly higher Gift Aid receipts than 2022, this resulted in total gross Freewill Offerings of £200,007 compared with £171,749 the previous year, an increase of 16%. Here I would again like to thank Fiona Woods for her hard work in submitting the Gift Aid claims.

However, expenditure has also increased by £18,417 largely due to increases in the number of staff and to cost of living increases in salaries and heat & light leaving a deficit on the general account for the year of (£42,028) compared to a deficit in 2022 of (£52,386).

Building Fund donations (including Gift Aid) were 5% higher at £14,310 compared with last year of £13,591. In addition expenditure was significantly decreased to £13,448 from £45,529 due to major repairs to the tower and to the boilers in 2022, resulting in a surplus for the year of £862 compared to a deficit of £(31,938).

United Appeal contributions received were £11,782 down from £12,276 last year. This account required a £10,000 transfer from the general account to ensure United Appeal target was met and other outgoings.

Collections for Outreach amounted to £5,203 down from £16,078 last year, a very significant reduction and from this £9,215 was paid out in donations for various causes up from £2,095 last year due to £6,000 being contributed to mission partnerships.

However, it is encouraging to see the recent utilisation of the Fair Fund being supported by increased donations, with donations increasing to £5,600, up from £600 last year, leaving a balance of £8,763 being carried forward, after £862 was paid out to a number of families in need.

Unfortunately, this year there was an overall deficit of £(59,838) which whilst lower than last year's deficit of £(73,581) is still very significant. With increases in expenditure almost offsetting higher giving.

I would thus encourage the congregation to review what they are giving and either get back into the habit of bringing an envelope to church or if paying online consider increasing that, or simply make a one-off top up payment to the level that you'd like to be giving. I'd especially encourage support for the United Appeal account to offset the shortfall there.

I would like to thank all those who have helped me in 2023 including the members of the Finance Sub-committee, the treasurers of the various organisations, the counting teams, and especially Maria in the office for all their hard work, support, and assistance.

Graeme Thompson (Hon. Treasurer)

Organisations

UNITED CHOIR AND WORSHIP GROUPS

'Speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord' (Ephesians 5:19)

In 2023 we continued to praise and worship God together as a church family using traditional hymns and modern worship songs. This is representative of how we worship as a whole family together - tiny tots, children, teens and adults. It is such a privilege when so many churches have adopted separate services to cater for different ages and styles of worship. We are blessed to sing alongside a great grandmother in her 90's right down to newborn babies and share God's love for each other in this way. We bring glory to His name as we lift our voices to Him each week.

We began the year with a special service singing favourite hymns and worship songs chosen by some of our church members. Stuart has introduced this and its such a lovely way to begin the year. We hear the stories of how these hymns have touched individual hearts and appreciate them perhaps from a different perspective.

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We worship each week, leading with a small group of talented musicians and singers. This year we welcomed Amy Hunter who is our Youth and Children's worker but also a talented musician herself. As always we give grateful thanks to all our musicians and singers for their enthusiasm and commitment. Charles leads us week by week with his sensitive playing and we would encourage you to listen as he stills our hearts and prepares us for worship before services or skilfully plays a voluntary as you leave. Thanks also to our talented pianists - Liz, Emma and Judith who occasionally play before services begin. We also thank the A/V team for their dedication and expertise each week.

At Easter, Harvest and Christmas the United Choir and Youth Choir meet together for a few weeks to rehearse special items of praise for those highlights in the churches year. This year numbers grew as the year went on when finally at the Christmas Services we had an adult choir of 22 and a Youth Choir of 15. If you do not want the regular commitment of leading each week this is a wonderful opportunity to come together occasionally to sing and it is also great fun.

The regular music team meet at 9.30 am each Sunday morning to rehearse. United Choir meets for 5/6 Thursday evenings in the run up to a special service. Youth Choir meet after church for a few weeks also before a special service. There is always room for more members to join us either on Sunday mornings or in the United Choir and Youth Choir.

Thanks to all our church family who offer us support and encouragement throughout the year. It is very much appreciated.

Christine McClenahan (Music Co-Ordinator)

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children's Ministry is for children aged 4-11 years and takes place upstairs in the Worship Centre during the morning service. We follow as closely as possible to the main themes which are being covered in the morning service, using a mixture of interactive and presented material suitable to the age of the children attending.

Please continue to pray for our children and their parents that each may know the nearness and faithfulness of God, and for the leaders and helpers that they may discern your will in planning the teaching.

Fiona Woods

CRÈCHE

'All your children shall be taught by the Lord, and great shall be the peace of your children' (Isaiah 54:13)

Our Creche is located in the Minor Hall and we welcome all children from birth to 4 years. Our space has been set up to take in the needs of the children with a designated play area for babies and various sections for older children with the aim to stimulate their imagination.

From September 2023 we have been following The Biggest Story theme with our ABC book relating to the stories being taught each week.

Please pray for our dedicated leaders & children as they continue to develop and grow within our church family.

Sandra Gallagher

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YOUNG LIFE

Young Life continues to produce growing numbers of young people on Sunday evenings, the majority of whom do not belong to First Holywood. The programme is high energy and relational, concluding each week with a clear Gospel presentation. We were encouraged by the numbers of young people attending camp in the summer, particularly Wyldlife camp, where a number of them came to trust Jesus as their Saviour. We were sorry to lose the leadership of Skye Houston and wish her God's blessing as she moved to start a YL club in Dundonald, and as she marries Tim in the summer of 2024. Young life continues to be ably led by DGLs Daisy Shannon and Emma Magowan and their team and we are very grateful to the Lord for this partnership in the Gospel.

Graeme Thompson

CONNECT

Connect meets roughly twice a month from September to June for year 8-12, to help equip them to understand the Christian faith and find their place as part of the wider church family. Our numbers have grown steadily and we have been greatly encouraged by the levels of engagement by the young people. In the autumn we started a new series on the character of God, following our practice of helping the young people to understand key doctrines and apply them to their lives, with the help of invited guests. We are also encouraging them to get more involved the worship and life of the wider congregation and have been delighted with their enthusiasm and growth.

Graeme Thompson

50TH NI COMPANY GIRLS' BRIGADE

Our Girl's Brigade session runs from September to April. The Explorer Section (ages 3 to P4) meets on Friday afternoons from 3.30 pm to 5 pm - this is a very noisy session as the girls are very enthusiastic in everything they do. They follow a Bible course similar to the Company Section and also do craft activities. They had their usual Christmas party with a visit from Santa.

The Company Section (P5 and up) meets on Tuesday evenings from 7 pm to 8.30 pm. They begin with Bible class and have a varied programme - marching, drill, duster hockey, cookery, crafts, singing, etc. On the third Tuesday night in September we went for a walk along the coastal path which the girls really enjoyed and finished off our night with hot dogs and drinks back at the Church. In December the girls had a fun night painting Christmas tree decorations. We would like to thank all the parents and friends for their support and encouragement over the last year and ask for your continued prayers for us, as we trust in God to achieve our aim to help girls become followers of Jesus Christ.

Rosemary Ferguson (GB Captain)

TOTS R US

Tots R Us welcomed a new generation of mums and toddlers on September 2022 and the first half of 2023. Numbers attending soon built up to an average of 30 children and around the same number of adults. Most are from our local community and we have some members whose first language is not English. We gather in the big hall on Tuesday mornings from 10 am to 11.30 am and provide a variety of toys and activities: home corner, dough/baking table, floor play, dressing up, baby area and table top activities which includes painting and crafts. During snack time we provide fruit, breadstick and drinks for the children and tea/coffee and biscuits for the adults. We end the morning with Rhyme Time, songs and actions.

As a group we support an orphan project in Malawi, Toybox - a charity working with street children around the world, and the NI Children's Hospice, as well as contributing to our Church funds.

Join us in praying that God's name will be honoured in all we do as all come into our Church.

Margaret Hewitt (Tots R Us leader)

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PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

As the theme for the first half of 2023 was Deeper Together, we opened the year with Kelly Scott, a friend of Nathana Burnside's, who provided tips on changing our image with make-up and had great fun watching Kelly demonstrating her skills on two members.

Another meeting focused on the local PW Mission Project, with Henry telling us of the inspirational work reaching out to asylum seekers from the International Meeting

Point (IMP), which led to us collecting toiletries for donation to the IMP. We also catered on May Day to raise funds for PW projects.

It was good to renew friendship with Ann Wilson (nee Murphy) a former member of FHPC who shared her experience of service on PW Executive (she became President of PW in May 2023) and encouraged everyone to become more involved in service of Christ as she told of the value to the people of Timor of the restoration of the radio station after a cyclone.

We all enjoyed fellowship over food at Film Night (Mrs. Harris goes to Paris) -after a Fish and Chips tea for all ladies in the congregation - the May outing was a meal at Royal Belfast Golf Club - and the Christmas meeting was another fellowship meal at Holywood Golf Club in December. Food always features highly in our gatherings!

In September, PW opened the season with videos on the Home Mission projects, with Hazel McCrea, our Leader, setting us the challenge to clear our minds and to be more open to the work of the Holy Spirit, reminding us that we can only do this with help and encouragement in our journey of faith; this was followed by the distribution of gift bags with items to remind us of the power of Christ to change our mindset. We then indulged in a 'Pudding Party'!

We were also inspired by the stories of the faith journeys of two ladies who come regularly to our church and this was pressed home by a team from Sat-7 describing the broadcasting of Good News of the gospel into difficult countries, where the Lord is revealing the treasures of Jesus. Rachael from Bellevue Bees shared her personal story of working with bees and there was much fun as we attempted to make beautiful candles from beeswax.

In 2023, we were also involved with the wider PW family, as groups of ladies attended both the May & September conferences which encourage each other to work side by side and deepen our fellowship; it was also pleasing to welcome several ladies for the first time to join together with PW in 2023; whether you are free on a regular basis or not - please come along and enjoy gathering together with other ladies, sharing our lives and learning together to grow in grace.

Lynda Francis (PW Treasurer)

LADIES BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The Ladies Bible Group gathers on Wednesday mornings from 10.30 am to 12 noon in the Minor Hall, to learn how God moved and worked in people's lives. Throughout 2023, we have studied female characters in the Bible and reflecting on how God worked his plan and purpose in their lives at that time and in their culture, helping us to understand and know how God continues today to do the same for us. The ladies are given their notes the week before to take home and study, reflect and prepare for the following week. On occasions, such as Easter and Christmas, there is a special gift given in appreciation for their faithfulness, commitment and encouragement.

Kathleen Spence (Pastoral Assistant)

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ART AND CRAFTY FOLK

A group of ladies came together for the first time on 8th September 2022 sharing a common interest and diverse skills, not to mention a desire for fellowship and chat. We meet fortnightly, usually on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 10 am to 12 noon, with a coffee break halfway and a devotional reading which provides a thought for the day and prayer. A lot of craftwork was completed during 2023, including a blanket for Evelyn Craig's grandson, made from squares knitted by our members. Some money was raised by sales of work among our members: jewellery, crochet and knitted goods being the most popular. From our funds, we were able to buy books for the Alpha course held in Maghaberry Prison, and provide a Christmas party for ourselves.

Rosemary Logan

TEA AND CHAT

During June, July and August 2023 we held our Tea & Chat sessions on alternative Thursday afternoons from 2.30 pm to 3.45 pm. Summer is a time when the Church calendar is quiet, which offers folk the opportunity to have a place to gather and share time together. Tea & Chat offers a variety of activities, such as quizzes, music, games, poems, even chair aerobics! Attendance would be in average of 20 people and anyone is welcome to join us for fun, friendship and fellowship. We also share a cup of tea and end with a short epilogue to praise and give thanks to the Lord for all our blessings.

Kathleen Spence (Pastoral Assistant)

LUNCHEON CLUB

The Luncheon Club (open to both church and non-church members) meets at 12.30 pm on the 4th Friday of most months, except July and August.

Usually there are about 20 diners, all bringing some chat and a few jokes, so there is always a great atmosphere in the Minor Hall.

We held our Christmas lunch in the Main Hall. Seventy plus diners were treated to a delicious lunch provided by Mc Kees' and karaoke carols before Santa arrived laden with gifts, much to everyone's delight.

A huge thank you to Elinor, Anne and Lynda who have been very generous and loyal with their help.

Cheryl Harbinson

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

The results for the year are set out in detail on pages 15 to 25. The results show net outgoing resources for the year of £59,838 (2022: Net outgoing resources of £73,581).

Reserves policy

The Trustees have considered the level of unrestricted reserves that it is appropriate to hold taking account of current and ongoing commitments. It is the policy of the Trustees to hold at least 6 month's normal expenditure. At the year end unrestricted reserves excluding the property, were £165,456 which represents an adequate level of reserves.

Going concern

The activities of the congregation are dependent on ongoing contributions from its members. The Trustees are of the opinion that the congregation has sufficient resources at the date of approval of these financial statements to meet commitments which will arise in the year from the date of signing this report and subject to the continuing support from members to fund on an ongoing basis the congregation's current activities and other financial commitments.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Risk Review

A review of major risks has been undertaken by the Trustees and systems and procedures implemented to manage identified risks. The principal risks are in relation to the likelihood of reputational damage and financial risks associated with the expectation of ongoing financial support from members. These risks are mitigated by the Trustees, and the Congregational Committee, regularly monitoring the various activities of the congregation at stated meetings and by encouraging members in their regular giving.

FUTURE PLANS

The Church plans continuing the activities outlined within the Annual Report in the forthcoming years.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Kirk Session

The charity trustees of the congregation are the members of its Kirk Session. Under the congregation's governing document, The Code, the book of the constitution and government of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Kirk Session seeks to watch over and promote the spiritual interest of the congregation and of persons not connected with any congregation who are within its bounds. It ensures pastoral care is in place in the congregation and seeks to further the contribution of the Church to Christian witness and service in the local community. The Kirk Session monitors and overviews at each meeting compliance with its child protection and safeguarding procedures and approves all leaders within church organisations. The Kirk Session has delegated to its Congregational Committee the temporal affairs of the congregation including administering all funds and property belonging to the congregation. Members of the Kirk Session are ex-officio members of the Congregational Committee.

The Kirk Session consists of the ordained ministers and the ruling elders of the congregations. All members are entitled to propose, speak and exercise equal votes at meetings, except that the Moderator, the ministers in active duty in the congregation, has no deliberative but only a casting vote.

Stated meetings of the Kirk session are normally held at 7.30pm at the church on the first Wednesday of each month (save usually in January, July and August), and additionally when required.

To be chosen for the office of the eldership in the congregation a person must be a voting member and a regular attendant on its ordinances. The selection of those proposed to be called to the office can be either by the congregation or by the Kirk Session. Members are elected if they obtain two-thirds of those who vote.

Presbytery

Under the Presbyterian Church in Ireland form of governance the corporate oversight of a congregation is the responsibility of a Presbytery which superintends generally the spiritual and temporal affairs of the congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. First Holywood Congregation has been assigned to the East Belfast Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The membership of the Presbytery consists mainly of the active ministers of congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly, ministers who have retired from active duty and an elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation.

The General Assembly

The General Assembly is the supreme court of the Church, representing in one body the whole Church and acting as its supreme legislative, administration and judicial authority, in dealing with all matters brought before it. The General Assembly is normally constituted during the first week in June for worship and to conduct its business. At the end of business it is dissolved. The membership of the General Assembly consists mainly of the active ministers of each congregation, retired ministers and a representative elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation.

First Holywood Presbyterian Church

**Report of the Trustees
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number
NIC104336

Principal address
7 Bangor Road
Holywood
Co Down
BT18 0NU

Trustees
Rev S McCrea
Mr S Burnside (resigned 31/5/23)
Mr R McCall
Mr P McClenahan
Mr J Ferguson
Mr J Harbinson
Miss E Laing
Mr A Nugent
Mr C Russell
Mr M Shields
Mrs A White (resigned 31/3/23)
Miss L Francis
Mrs F Woods
Mr M Baillie
Mr D Kennedy
Mrs S Gallagher
Mr G C Thompson
Mr B Bromley

Independent Examiner
McIlveen Howard Limited
Chartered Accountants
169a Upper Newtownards Road
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Solicitors
Hewitt & Gilpin Solicitors Limited
8 High Street
Holywood
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Bankers
Danske Bank
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Minister
Rev Stuart McCrea

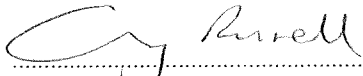
Clerk of Session
Mark Bailee

Church Treasurer
Graeme M Thompson

First Holywood Presbyterian Church

**Report of the Trustees
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

Approved by order of the board of trustees on20/10/24..... and signed on its behalf by:


.....
Mr C Russell - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
First Holywood Presbyterian Church**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages fifteen to twenty three.

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 requirements of 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 Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the 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. The 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.

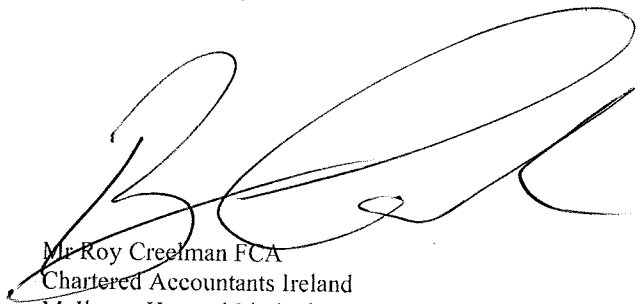
My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

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

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of Chartered Accountants Ireland which is one of the listed bodies.

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.



Mr Roy Creelman FCA
Chartered Accountants Ireland
McIlveen Howard Limited
Chartered Accountants
169a Upper Newtownards Road
Belfast
BT4 3HZ

Date: 20/10/24

First Holywood Presbyterian Church

**Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	212,829	42,315	255,144	236,656
Investment income	3	930	-	930	356
Total		<u>213,759</u>	<u>42,315</u>	<u>256,074</u>	<u>237,012</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	4				
Charitable Activities		1,870	2,675	4,545	1,705
Ministry & Support Staff Costs		129,823	-	129,823	110,525
Congregational Running Expenses		93,299	20,886	114,185	139,983
General Assesmbly Assessments		30,795	-	30,795	26,952
Donations to Missions and Charities		-	36,564	36,564	26,208
Governance Costs		-	-	-	5,220
Total		<u>255,787</u>	<u>60,125</u>	<u>315,912</u>	<u>310,593</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(42,028)	(17,810)	(59,838)	(73,581)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		1,354,234	165,758	1,519,992	1,593,573
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>1,312,206</u>	<u>147,948</u>	<u>1,460,154</u>	<u>1,519,992</u>

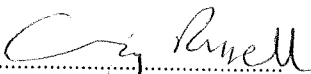
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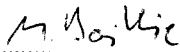
First Holywood Presbyterian Church

**Balance Sheet
31 December 2023**

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	9	1,190,062	1,237,796
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	10	78,232	128,216
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>264,089</u>	<u>212,257</u>
		342,321	340,473
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	11	(72,229)	(58,277)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>270,092</u>	<u>282,196</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,460,154	1,519,992
NET ASSETS		<u>1,460,154</u>	<u>1,519,992</u>
FUNDS	13		
Unrestricted funds		1,312,206	1,354,234
Restricted funds		<u>147,948</u>	<u>165,758</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>1,460,154</u>	<u>1,519,992</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 20/10/2024 and were signed on its behalf by:


Mr C Russell - Trustee


Mr M Baillie - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. Gift aid claims are recognised in the period to which they relate.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses. Property is carried at its revalued amount less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property	- 2% on cost
Fixtures & fittings	- 25% on cost

Taxation

First Holywood Presbyterian Church is recognised as a charity for the purposes of applicable taxation legislation and therefore is not subject to tax on its charitable activities. The charity is not registered for VAT and resources expended therefore include irrecoverable input VAT.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Freewill Offering	200,007	-	200,007	171,749
Building Fund	-	14,310	14,310	13,591
Church Collections	5,486	-	5,486	2,740
United Appeal	-	11,782	11,782	12,276
Weddings & Funerals	620	-	620	775
Use of Halls	3,986	-	3,986	4,059
Legacies -	-	-	-	1,500
Books	856	-	856	769
World Development Appeal	-	4,645	4,645	-
PCI - Moderator's Appeal	-	-	-	9,515
Earl Haig Fund	-	-	-	426
General Missions Fund	-	5,203	5,203	16,078
Fair Fund	-	5,600	5,600	600
Sundry receipts	1,124	-	1,124	2,578
Presbyterian Orphans and Children's Society	-	775	775	-
Tots R Us	<u>750</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>750</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>212,829</u>	<u>42,315</u>	<u>255,144</u>	<u>236,656</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Deposit account interest	<u>930</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>930</u>	<u>356</u>

4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 5) £	Totals £
Charitable Activities	4,545	-	4,545
Ministry & Support Staff Costs	129,823	-	129,823
Congregational Running Expenses	109,283	4,902	114,185
General Assesmbly Assessments	30,795	-	30,795
Donations to Missions and Charities	<u>36,564</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,564</u>
	<u>311,010</u>	<u>4,902</u>	<u>315,912</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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5. SUPPORT COSTS

	Governance costs
	£
Congregational Running Expenses	<u>4,902</u>

6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Rev S McCrea received a stipend in his role of minister, but did not receive any remuneration for his role of Trustee.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

7. STAFF COSTS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries	104,896	81,600
Social security costs	<u>4,783</u>	<u>4,675</u>
	<u>109,679</u>	<u>86,275</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2023	2022
Ministerial	2	2
Admin	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

8. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds
	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	199,628	37,028	236,656
Investment income	<u>356</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>356</u>
Total	<u>199,984</u>	<u>37,028</u>	<u>237,012</u>
 EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable Activities	1,705	-	1,705
Ministry & Support Staff Costs	110,525	-	110,525
Congregational Running Expenses	92,968	47,015	139,983

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

8. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
General Assesmbly Assessments	26,952	-	26,952
Donations to Missions and Charities	-	26,208	26,208
Governance Costs	5,220	-	5,220
Total	<u>237,370</u>	<u>73,223</u>	<u>310,593</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)			
Transfers between funds	(37,386)	(36,195)	(73,581)
	<u>(15,000)</u>	<u>15,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds	(52,386)	(21,195)	(73,581)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	1,406,620	186,953	1,593,573
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>1,354,234</u>	<u>165,758</u>	<u>1,519,992</u>

9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Improvements to property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 January 2023	1,300,000	81,896	85,004	1,466,900
Additions	-	-	8,030	8,030
At 31 December 2023	<u>1,300,000</u>	<u>81,896</u>	<u>93,034</u>	<u>1,474,930</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 January 2023	181,731	19,225	28,148	229,104
Charge for year	26,000	8,190	21,574	55,764
At 31 December 2023	<u>207,731</u>	<u>27,415</u>	<u>49,722</u>	<u>284,868</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 December 2023	<u>1,092,269</u>	<u>54,481</u>	<u>43,312</u>	<u>1,190,062</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>1,118,269</u>	<u>62,671</u>	<u>56,856</u>	<u>1,237,796</u>

Freehold property includes the Church land, buildings and halls and in the opinion of the Trustees is stated at fair value. The fair value includes £1,050,000 representing the uplift from original cost of the properties. The Trustees consider that legal title to all of the land and property comprised in the underlying deeds relating to the various properties are ultimately held by the Trustees on behalf of the Trust

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

10. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other debtors	<u>78,232</u>	<u>128,216</u>

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	36,815	22,224
Other creditors	<u>35,414</u>	<u>36,053</u>
	<u>72,229</u>	<u>58,277</u>

12. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Fixed assets	1,147,600	42,462	1,190,062	1,237,796
Current assets	236,835	105,486	342,321	340,473
Current liabilities	<u>(72,229)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(72,229)</u>	<u>(58,277)</u>
	<u>1,312,206</u>	<u>147,948</u>	<u>1,460,154</u>	<u>1,519,992</u>

The unrestricted funds represent the free funds of the church which are not designated for particular purposes. The unrestricted fund includes £1,050,000 being the transfer of the uplifted market value of the Charity's properties in 2017.

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/1/23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/12/23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,354,234	(42,028)	1,312,206
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	165,758	(17,810)	147,948
	<u>1,519,992</u>	<u>(59,838)</u>	<u>1,460,154</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,519,992</u>	<u>(59,838)</u>	<u>1,460,154</u>

First Holywood Presbyterian Church

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	213,759	(255,787)	(42,028)
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	42,315	(60,125)	(17,810)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>256,074</u>	<u>(315,912)</u>	<u>(59,838)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/1/22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	1,406,620	(37,386)	(15,000)	1,354,234
Restricted funds				
Restricted fund	186,953	(36,195)	15,000	165,758
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,593,573</u>	<u>(73,581)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,519,992</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	199,984	(237,370)	(37,386)
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	37,028	(73,223)	(36,195)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>237,012</u>	<u>(310,593)</u>	<u>(73,581)</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/1/22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	1,406,620	(79,414)	(15,000)	1,312,206
Restricted funds				
Restricted fund	186,953	(54,005)	15,000	147,948
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,593,573</u>	<u>(133,419)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,460,154</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	413,743	(493,157)	(79,414)
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	79,343	(133,348)	(54,005)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>493,086</u>	<u>(626,505)</u>	<u>(133,419)</u>

14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2023.

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Freewill Offering	200,007	171,749
Building Fund	14,310	13,591
Church Collections	5,486	2,740
United Appeal	11,782	12,276
Weddings & Funerals	620	775
Use of Halls	3,986	4,059
Legacies -	-	1,500
Books	856	769
World Development Appeal	4,645	-
PCI - Moderator's Appeal	-	9,515
Earl Haig Fund	-	426
General Missions Fund	5,203	16,078
Fair Fund	5,600	600
Sundry receipts	1,124	2,578
Presbyterian Orphans and Children's Society	775	-
Tots R Us	750	-
	<u>255,144</u>	<u>236,656</u>
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	<u>930</u>	<u>356</u>
Total incoming resources	256,074	237,012
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	104,896	81,600
Social security	4,783	4,675
Insurance	4,155	3,522
Light and heat	17,430	11,670
Telephone	2,264	2,495
Postage and stationery	2,241	1,636
Pulpit Supply	-	1,232
General Assembly Assessments	30,795	26,952
East Belfast Presbytery Fee	908	861
Ministerial Expenses	10,589	9,063
Youth Ministry	8,647	15,187
General Maintenance	20,211	50,710
Books	3,035	4,180
Other Expenditure	7,850	3,082
PCI - United Appeal	19,011	16,213
PCI - Childrens Society	775	-
PCI - Moderators Appeal	-	14,515
Carried forward	237,590	247,593

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First Holywood Presbyterian Church

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

	2023 £	2022 £
Charitable activities		
Brought forward	237,590	247,593
World Development Appeal	4,645	-
Earl Haig	259	-
General Missions Funds	862	4,995
Storehouse	1,615	-
Mission Partnerships	6,000	-
Tens Foundation	800	-
PIPs	800	-
Summer Madness and Other Camps	2,675	-
Freehold property	26,000	26,000
Improvements to property	8,190	8,190
Fixtures and fittings	<u>21,574</u>	<u>18,595</u>
	311,010	305,373
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	<u>4,902</u>	<u>5,220</u>
Total resources expended	<u>315,912</u>	<u>310,593</u>
Net expenditure	<u>(59,838)</u>	<u>(73,581)</u>

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