

**Granshaw Presbyterian Church a congregation of the
Presbyterian Church in Ireland**

**Trustees Annual Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Granshaw Presbyterian congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland
54 Gransha Road
Comber
Newtownards
BT23 5RF
Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC104511)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

The Charity Trustees who were trustees at the date of this report were

Mr George Marshall	Mrs Margaret Cromie
Mr David Bovill	Mr Robin Phillips
Rev Mark Brown	Mr Rodney Smyth
Mr Tom Mccullough	Mr Alan Wallace
Mrs Lynda Bethel	Mr John Scott
Mr Richard Bovill	Mr Stewart Patterson
Mr Gavin Young	Mrs Lorraine Shaw
Mr Tim Mitchell	Mr Matthew Mckee
Mr Joseph Crawford	Mr Roy Mckee
Mrs Alison Hawthorne	Mr Jonathan Bailie
Mr Brian McComish	Mrs Alison Bovill
Mr Derrick Love	

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Minister	Rev Mark Brown
Clerk of Session	Mrs Lynda Bethel
Treasurer	Mrs Alison Hawthorne

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

PMB Chartered Accountants
7 The Square
Comber
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BANKERS

Danske Bank
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SOLICITORS

Alan Reid
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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024.

STRUCTURE 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 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 minister 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 held at least four times each year or as appropriate.

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. Granshaw Presbyterian Church 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.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

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.

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE

Granshaw Presbyterian Church 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 seeks to be a haven for people with broken hearts. We believe that as God's family we should love, care for and support one another in the ups and downs of everyday life. We want all who attend our services to feel at home, be inspired by the worship, and challenged by the biblical messages.

Granshaw Presbyterian Church exists to help the wider community in its practical and spiritual needs. The church is open to anyone who wishes to worship God or explore spiritual question. It serves the island of Ireland with its links to congregations both in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland and its social care outreach. It serves the wider world by its overseas partnerships. Granshaw has supported COTN (Children of The Nations) and their work in Malawi, East Africa.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

The congregation meets for worship every Sunday and visitors are welcome to join. The services are streamed online to enable everyone to be part of the service. Communion is observed on several occasions during the year and all those who have been baptised and who have made a profession of faith in Jesus are admitted to the Lord's Supper. The congregation holds regular bible study meetings for various age groups and at various times through the week. As well as weekly prayer times the church has a wide range of organisations including:

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| - Sunday School (JAM) | - Youth Fellowship (GIG) |
| - All Stars & Little Stars (Creche) | - Mothers and Toddlers (MOPS) |
| - Bible Class | - Bowling Club |
| - Prayer Ministry Team | - Presbyterian Women (PW) |
| - Kids Klub | - Common Threads |
| - Youth Club (Young Life) | - Time Out |
| - Boys' Brigade | - Summer Outreach Program |
| - Girls' Brigade | - Scripture Union (SU) at Moneyrea PS |

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

The congregation meets for worship each Sunday at 11.00am. During the week various Bible Study groups provide the opportunity for members to meet together for fellowship, to study the scriptures and for a time of prayer.

As well as our regular services during the year we celebrated baptisms, conducted marriage services and sought to comfort those who had been bereaved during the year.

Pastoral care

Members of the congregation who are unable to attend church due to sickness or age are visited on a regular basis by the minister, elders or by one of the congregation's pastoral visitors. They can also request digital copies of the Sunday morning service to view in their own homes.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

Mission and outreach

The congregation seeks to be a haven for people with broken hearts. We believe that as God's family we should love, care for and support one another in the ups and downs of everyday life. We do this in many ways, by worshipping together as a Church family on Sundays and during the week and by reaching out with the love of God to those around us.

The congregation supports the United Appeal for Mission which is a central fund of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. This fund enables congregations to support the wider mission of the denomination and to do mission and outreach on denominational basis beyond what the congregation could do on its own. The United Appeal Fund provides financial support for mission personnel at home and overseas, assists congregations with the deployment of locally based staff, enables church planting, provides grant support for the upkeep of church premises, assist with the running costs of Union Theological College, the church's training college for ministry students, and financially supports congregation in the areas of worship, discipleship, global mission, outreach, leadership and pastoral care.

Presbytery

The congregation is represented at the regular meetings of Presbytery by our minister and/or one of the elders. This provides an important link between the congregations and the wider structures of the Church.

General Assembly

The minister and one of our elders were nominated to attend the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland held in Assembly Buildings, Belfast, in June.

Property

Granshaw Church is a grade B listed building and is well maintained to a high standard. The church is over 150 years old and needs constant upkeep, which the congregational Committee oversee.

Other properties belonging to the congregation include a suite of halls. Our halls are looked after by a part time caretaker and volunteers. There is also a graveyard and football pitch on the church's property and these are well maintained.

The Minister is required to live in the manse provided by the church. The manse address is 8 Gransha Road, Comber, BT23 5QA and is well maintained. The church has an additional residential property located beside the main church building.

Volunteers

The Trustees wish to acknowledge their deep appreciation of those who give freely of their time by serving on committees and helping with organisations and other church activities.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

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.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The congregation's main source of income is members' contributions through the Weekly Freewill Offering. Donations for the year were £156,816 (2023: £145,038).

Total Income of the congregation during the year was £340,549, a small increase on the prior year (£340,196). Income raised from charitable activities increased by £18,102 but there were fewer donations in the year.

Total expenditure increased to £389,072 from £330,536 mainly due to increased running costs (£166,906, 2023: £122,744) but also increased costs for charitable events.

RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The Trustees are required to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the congregations and the financial activities for that year. In preparing the financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Funds will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the funds transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the congregations and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities (1 January 2015)". They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the congregation and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

GOING CONCERN

The total income of the church is in line with the prior year although expenses have increased significantly. The balance sheet shows a cash balance of £169,954 with current liabilities of £17,979.

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. As a result, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.


RESERVES POLICY

The Trustees have considered the level of unrestricted reserves that it is appropriate to hold taking account of current and ongoing commitments. At the year end unrestricted reserves were £1,300,766 (2023: £1,314,678), the Trustees, consider it prudent to hold reserves at this level as the funding of its present activities is dependent of the ongoing financial support of members.

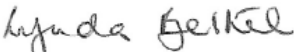
RISK REVIEW

The Trustees regularly review the risks and the systems and procedures implemented to manage the 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.

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 19 August 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

[Name] 

[Date] 19.8.25

[Name] 

[Date] 19.8.25

**QUALIFIED INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS OR AUDITORS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
GRANSHAW CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 10 to 21.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of Granshaw Presbyterian Church you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of The Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 ('the Act').

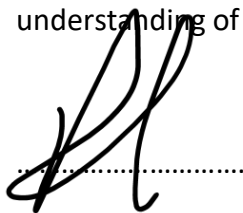
I report in respect of my examination of the Granshaw Presbyterian Church's accounts carried out under section 25 of The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 65(3)(a) of the 'the Act'.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Granshaw Presbyterian Church as required by section 63(1) and (2) of the Regulations; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn to this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Peter Bond FCA

Date: 25/06/2025

7 The Square
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
for the year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	206,310	67,855	274,165	293,468
Charitable activities	3	62,773	-	62,773	44,671
Investments	4	3,539	-	3,539	1,434
Other	4	72	-	72	623
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Total		272,694	67,855	340,549	340,196
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Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	5	7,033	-	7,033	2,880
Charitable activities	6	338,699	42,710	381,409	327,001
Governance	6	630	-	630	655
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Total		346,362	42,710	389,072	330,536
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Net Income / (expenditure)		(73,668)	25,145	(48,523)	9,660
Transfers between funds		59,756	(59,756)	-	-
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Net movement in funds		(13,912)	(34,611)	(48,523)	9,660
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		1,314,678	86,935	1,401,613	1,391,953
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Total funds carried forward		1,300,766	52,324	1,353,090	1,401,613
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BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 Decemeber 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Fixed assets:					
Tangible assets	9	1,164,645	-	1,164,645	1,174,411
Total fixed assets		1,164,645	-	1,164,645	1,174,411
Current assets					
Debtors	10	36,471	-	36,471	35,819
Cash at bank and in hand	11	102,629	67,324	169,953	197,408
Total current assets		139,100	67,324	206,424	233,227
Liabilities:					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	2,979	15,000	17,979	6,025
Net current assets or liabilities		136,121	52,324	188,445	227,202
Total assets less current liabilities		1,300,766	52,324	1,353,090	1,401,613
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year		-	-	-	-
Total net assets or liabilities		1,300,766	52,324	1,353,090	1,401,613
Funds of the charity					
Restricted income funds	13	-	52,324	52,324	86,935
Unrestricted funds	13	1,300,766	-	1,300,766	1,314,678
Total charity funds		1,300,766	52,324	1,353,090	1,401,613

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 19 August 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

[Name] 
[Date] 19.8.25

[Name] Lynda Seitel
[Date] 19/8/25

GRANSHAW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**a Congregation of The Presbyterian Church in Ireland****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS****31 December 2024****1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES****BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for residential properties, which are shown at fair value. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the congregation is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

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. As a result, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

FUND ACCOUNTING

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments which is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific congregational activity intended by the donor. Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

Unrestricted funds are income funds which are to be spent on the congregation's general purposes. Designated funds are general funds set aside by the congregation for use in the future.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

INCOMING RESOURCES

(i) Recognition of incoming resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the congregation becomes entitled to the resources;
- the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

(ii) Incoming resources with related expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.

(iii) Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the congregation has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

(iv) Tax reclaims on donations and gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

(v) Contractual income and performance related grants

This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

(vi) Gifts in kind

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.

EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

(vii) Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the congregation to pay out resources.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

(viii) Governance costs

These are shown within charitable activities and include the costs of preparation and examination of accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

ASSETS

(ix) Tangible Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets, except residential properties, for use by charity are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £2,500. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt.

Depreciation is recorded on the below tangible fixed assets other than freehold land, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life as follows

Buildings:	- between 20 and 50 years
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	- over 10 years
IT and technical equipment	- over 5 years
Motor Vehicles	- over 4 years

Residential properties are used by the charity in pursuit of its charitable activities and initially held at cost and subsequently measured at fair value on a regular basis.

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2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Recorded giving:				
Loose collections	156,816	30,418	187,234	177,297
Donations and gifts	8,049	37,437	45,487	60,947
Gift Aid	41,345	-	41,345	35,224
Legacies and bequest	100	-	100	20,000
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	206,310	67,855	274,165	293,468
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3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Income from charitable activities:				
Fees from weddings and funerals	1,100	-	1,100	900
Fundraising events	14,273	-	14,273	6,384
Organisations	47,400	-	47,400	37,387
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	62,773	-	62,773	44,671
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4. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Bank Interest	3,539	-	3,539	1,434
Other Income	72	-	72	623
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	3,611	-	3,611	2,057
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5. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
FWO envelopes	216	-	216	255
Fundraising events	6,817	-	6,817	2,625
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	7,033	-	7,033	2,880
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6. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
General Assembly Assessments	31,347	-	31,347	28,178
Presbytery fees	928	-	928	884
Ministry and support staff costs	94,685	-	94,685	93,299
Congregational running expenses	166,906	-	166,906	122,744
Donations to Missions and charities	-	42,710	42,710	41,223
Organisations	44,832	-	44,832	40,673
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	338,699	42,710	381,409	327,001
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Governance costs	630	-	630	655
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7. EMPLOYEES

Employment Costs	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£
Wages and Salaries	51,578	49,718
Pension contributions	1,747	1,640
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	53,326	51,358
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The minister of the congregation is remunerated by the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The congregation pays an assessment to the Presbyterian Church and based on the stipend paid to the minister

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Number of Employees

The average number of full-time employees, including the minister of the congregation, during the year was 2 (2023: 2) and the average number of part-time staff was 2 (2023: 2).

There were no employees in receipt of employee benefits in excess of £60,000.

8. PENSION COSTS

The minister of the congregation is a member of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland Pension Scheme (2009). This is a scheme operated by the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, a separate registered charity. The congregation pays an assessment to the Presbyterian Church in Ireland equivalent to the employer's pension contribution for the Scheme and based on the stipend paid to the minister. The Presbyterian Church in Ireland Pension Scheme (2009) is a funded Scheme of the defined benefit type, providing defined benefits based on career average revalued salary. The Scheme has assets held in a separately administered fund managed by a board of trustees. The Presbyterian Church and the Scheme Trustees have agreed a funding plan to ensure the Scheme is sufficiently funded to meet current and future obligations. A formal schedule of contributions was drawn up on 25 November 2015 whereby the Presbyterian Church agreed to pay from 31 December 2015 contributions of 24% of pensionable salaries to cover the accrual of benefits for future service, expenses, the cost of insuring death in service benefits and funding the scheme deficit.

The contributions made by the congregation during the year were

	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£
Contributions	10,605	10,100
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The congregation operates an occupational pension with defined contributions policy for its employees. The scheme and its assets are held by an independent scheme manager. The pension charge represents the contributions due from the congregation during the year.

	£	£
Contributions	1,747	1,640
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9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Residential properties	Land and buildings	Fixtures and fittings	IT Equipment	Motor Vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£		£
Cost or Valuation						
At start of year	531,618	825,633	103,856	13,015	13,800	1,487,922
Additions	-	-	22,277	-	-	22,277
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluation	-	-	-	-	-	-
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At end of year	531,618	825,633	126,133	13,015	13,800	1,510,199
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Depreciation						
At start of year	-	209,591	77,106	13,015	13,800	313,512
Provision for year	-	16,295	15,747	-	-	32,042
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
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At end of year	-	225,886	92,853	13,015	13,800	345,554
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Net Book Value						
At end of year	531,618	599,748	33,279	-	-	1,164,645
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At start of year	531,618	616,043	26,750	-	-	1,174,411
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10. DEBTORS

	2024	2023
Gift Aid Recoverable	27,500	27,500
Other debtors	975	0
Prepayments and accrued income	7,996	8,319
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	36,471	35,819
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11. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	2024	2023
Current account	15,366	19,643
Savings deposit account	39,985	46,121
Special projects account	67,324	86,935
Organisations	47,277	44,709
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	169,953	197,408
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12. CREDITORS: amount falling due within one year

	2024	2023
Creditors	1,393	4,805
Accruals	1,586	1,220
Deferred Income	15,000	-
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	17,979	6,025
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13. FUND BALANCES AND RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS

Fund	Balance at start	Income	Expenditure	Gains/ Losses	Transfer	Balance at end
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds						
General fund	1,314,678	272,694	(346,362)	-	59,756	1,300,766
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	1,314,678	272,694	(346,362)	-	59,756	1,300,766
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Restricted Funds						
Special project fund	86,935	22,125	-	-	(56,736)	52,325
Repairs & Maintenance	-	23,884		-	(23,884)	-
Missions	-	21,846	(42,710)	-	20,864	-
Bequests	-			-	-	-
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	86,935	67,855	(42,710)	-	(59,756)	52,324
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Total Charity Funds	1,401,613	340,549	(389,072)	-	-	1,353,090
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14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION

One of the Trustees, the minister of the congregation received remuneration of £44,188 (2023: £42,084) and expenses of £8,438 (2023: £8,253) for acting in that capacity. The minister of the congregation is remunerated by the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The congregation pays an assessment to the Presbyterian Church and based on the stipend paid to the minister. Pension contribution of £10,605 (2023: £10,100) were paid by the congregation in respect of the minister to the Presbyterian Church in Ireland Pension Scheme (2009). Mr Rodney Smyth received £13,772 (2023: £13,116) during the year in connection with his employment as Church Caretaker and Mr Gavin Young received £315 for pulpit supply, none of the other trustees received any remuneration.

During the year the congregation contributed the following amounts to Funds of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland a separate charity:

£17,232 (2023: £16,894) for congregational assessments
£16,056 (2023: £17,052) towards the United Appeal
£1,025 (2023: £785) towards the World Development Appeal
£1,230 (2023: £7,290) towards the Moderator's appeal for Turkey/Syria

There were no other related party transactions.