

Aghadowey/St Guaire's/Derry/Church of Ireland

Northern Ireland · Charity number 104847

Details

Known as Aghadowey Parish Church

Status Received

Registered 2016-03-04

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

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Activities

Purposes: The principal function is to support the advancement of the Christian religion by promoting through the work of the Parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. Being open to and engaging with society as a whole and offering support for those needing help is fundamental to the practical delivery of the tenets of Christianity. As a result of activity in pursuit of the advancement of the Christian religion, the Parish has custody of a large body of records, materials and artefacts of significance to the cultural heritage, the maintenance of which is undertaken by the Parish as a secondary charitable purpose.

What the charity does: The advancement of religion

How the charity works: Religious activities

Who the charity helps: General public

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£110,779	£92,317	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr Vivien Elizabeth Coates		
Mr David Robert Anderson		
Mr Ian Mccafferty		
Mr John Wilson		
Mr Robert Knight		
Mr Samuel Andrew Boreland		
Mrs Anne Marie Warnock		
Mrs Iris Rosella Knight		
Mrs Michelle Knight-Mcquillan		
Rev Louise Crawford-Mccafferty		
Rozzy Skuce		

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Accounts

Charity Name

Aghadowey Parish Church

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/01/2024	To	31/12/2024
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Freewill offering & plate collections	45,871	1,987	-	47,858	44,954
Glebe Letting	1,959		-	1,959	1,957
Graveyard	840		-	840	705
Investment Income	13,600		-	13,600	13,219
Donations/ Legacies	665	4,269	-	4,934	4,899
Fund Raising	20	5,792	-	5,812	23,749
Grants		21,000	-	21,000	300
Gift Aid	14,776		-	14,776	2,210
A1 Sub total (Gross income for the Annual Return)	77,731	33,048	-	110,779	91,993
A2 Asset and investment sales (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	77,731	33,048	-	110,779	91,993
A3 Payments					
Diocesan Assessment	63,422		-	63,422	53,592
Property Maintenance		2,712	-	2,712	1,492
Administration Costs	3,039	-	-	3,039	2,524
Church running costs	14,727	-	-	14,727	13,067
Rectory Costs	2,383	-	-	2,383	3,055
Sunday School	487	-	-	487	521
Mission and Charity donations	2,500	763	-	3,263	1,950
Cost of fund raising events	55	2,229	-	2,284	5,162
Other expenses	-	-	-	-	461
A3 Sub total	86,613	5,704	-	92,317	81,824
A4 Asset and investment purchases (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	86,613	5,704	-	92,317	81,824
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 8,882	27,344	-	18,462	10,169
A5 Transfers between funds	1,000	- 1,000	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	13,113	49,211	-	62,324	52,155
Cash funds this year end	5,231	75,555	-	80,786	62,324

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	5,231	14,555	-	19,786	62,324
	Select Account	-	61,000	-	61,000	-
		-		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	5,231	75,555	-	80,786	62,324
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
			Total	-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	Last year
B3 Investment assets	Investments in RCB Unit Trusts (Lennox Fund)		-	386,496	367,128
	Investments in RCB Unit Trusts		-	9,246	89,522
	RCB Bequests		-	8,348	8,782
	Fixed Term Account		-	85,000	-
	Total		-	489,090	465,432

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	Last year
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Sports equipment		-	405	405
	Kitchen equipment		-	2,579	2,579
	Electrical/IT Equipment		-	1,861	1,861
	Land for Car Park		-	10,000	10,000
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
		Total	-	14,845	14,845

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	When due (optional)	Amount due (optional)	Last year
B5 Liabilities				-	-
				-	-
				-	-
				-	-
				-	-
		Total		-	-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Date of approval: _____

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Section A Receipts and payments

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A1 Receipts					
Freewill offering & plate collections	44,399	555	-	44,954	46,276
Glebe Letting	1,957		-	1,957	1,954
Graveyard	705		-	705	220
Investment Income	13,219		-	13,219	12,672
Donations/ Legacies	1,515	3,384	-	4,899	9,791
Fund Raising	528	23,221	-	23,749	3,753
Grants		300	-	300	5,145
Gift Aid	2,210		-	2,210	7,435
A1 Sub total (Gross income for the Annual Return)	64,533	27,460	-	91,993	87,246
A2 Asset and investment sales (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	64,533	27,460	-	91,993	87,246
A3 Payments					
Diocesan Assessment	53,592	-	-	53,592	53,592
Property Maintenance	1,492	-	-	1,492	13,570
Administration Costs	2,524	-	-	2,524	2,737
Church running costs	13,067	-	-	13,067	13,887
Rectory Costs	3,055	-	-	3,055	3,241
Sunday School	521	-	-	521	291
Mission and Charity donations	1,950	-	-	1,950	3,100
Cost of fund raising events		5,162	-	5,162	-
Other expenses		461	-	461	182
A3 Sub total	76,201	5,623	-	81,824	90,600
A4 Asset and investment purchases (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	76,201	5,623	-	81,824	90,600
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 11,668	21,837	-	10,169	- 3,354
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	24,781	27,374	-	52,155	55,509
Cash funds this year end	13,113	49,211	-	62,324	52,155

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Annual report

Annual Report 2023

2023 was a busy year as usual. The weekly and monthly clubs are all functioning well, but there is always room for new people of course. Thank you to all the leaders of these groups.

Sunday School, Mothers' Union, 2nd Chance Cinema Club, Thursday Craft Group, Bible Study Group, Men's Monthly Meeting, Junior Badminton Club, Guides and Rangers, and Monthly Vestry meetings.

We didn't host our annual Coffee Evening because the 'Big Event' of the year was a Flower Festival (FF) which took place in September. The FF Team and indeed many Volunteers worked tirelessly to arrange the floral stands, under the guidance of our amazing Floral Director (Mark Allen aka 'Ma Fleur'). People worked brilliantly together in hospitality, and to feed visitors well. We had our two local primary schools Culrow and Gorran join us for the welcoming morning and lunchtime celebrations. The Mayor of Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council Mr. Steven Callaghan officially opened the Flower Festival. Bishop Andrew Forster spoke at the opening service, and Rev. William Seale from Kells, Co. Meath was our visitor at the evening closing service.

Our Theme is **Journeying with God's People - From Eden to Paradise**, using Biblical characters to share the story of the Bible. In the Hall we wanted to share another theme based on the people and their faith. This exhibition was entitled Committed to Christ, Committed to Northern Ireland, Committed to the world: C S Lewis, Cecil Francis Alexander, Amy Carmichael, Professor Frank Pantridge, and Sir Arthur Hezlet. Isn't it amazing how people from Northern Ireland have had such a great impact on the world in the spheres of Literature, Science, Medicine, and Military expertise in the past and continue to do so.

In October the Seven Towers Male Voice Choir came to share their musical talents with us and we had a wonderful night of listening and of course joining in singing too. Thank you to Derek Murdoch and his team.

We have such creative people in the parish and we thank God for their many gifts of technology and teaching, especially we thank the leaders for their work with children. We have a **Safeguarding Panel** at church and if you have any concerns about our work with children or vulnerable adults please contact one of the Team. (Names are available on church notices).

Paula McIntyre Cookery Demonstration Evening. We had an amazing time, with old and new friends. The musical entertainment for the evening was provided for by Alastair Coyles, Tim Cairns, Tom Honeyford, Lucy and Dr. John Kerr. Thank you to all the sponsors, too many to name, but we especially thank Paula for her help. She was so very kind to us and we really appreciated her talents - and her humour.

The Tower

Repairs to the Church Tower has been the concern for a number of years now, we have been making applications for grants for the repair work and we hope with the

help of the Conservation Architect we have employed that this work will, we hope, commence early 2025. A detailed survey has been carried out on the tower and we have been informed the cost of repairs will be approximately £160,000. The Flower Festival realised £13,000 and the Seven Towers Choir Praise Service - generated £1,134. We are researching grants but most grants require equal matching. We continue to raise money for the Tower Repairs. David Knox of Springmount Consulting has been helping us all the way, and we greatly appreciate his help.

Church Attendance

Numbers have been slowly increasing again, and we have still a way to go to be preCovid attendance. Family Services are growing in number again and the children are coming back to Sunday School.

Finance

The church's income comes from free will offerings, donations, gift aid, interest and rent from the glebe land. From this income we pay sustentation (money we must pay to the Diocese) plus the usual costs for utilities, insurance, organists etc. This year, in an effort to create efficiencies we changed our insurance providers and who we bank with. Both of these will save money/reduce fees with no loss of service to the church.

Thank you very much to the Trustees, this team of people work tirelessly for you and they are too humble to seek any recognition, but if you are speaking with them appreciation is always good to hear. They are a fun group of people to work with and were **always** willing to offer to help the parish and all the people.

If you have any questions about the Report please bring them to the attention of a Trustee who will endeavour to answer your query.

God bless you.

Rev. Louise Crawford-McCafferty (Rector)

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Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Aghadowey Parish Church

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

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

It is 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 Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of 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.

My 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.

Independent examiner's statement

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.

Name: Gillian Louise McCullough



Date 15/04/2024

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Accounts

**St. Guaire's Parish Church Aghadowey
Annual Accounts 2022**

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Receipts				
Freewill offering and plate collections	45592.80	683.00	46275.80	45477.42
Glebe Letting	1954.34		1954.34	1931.70
Graveyard	220.00		220.00	360.00
Investment Income	12672.39		12672.39	12219.44
Donations/ Legacies	2263.35	7528.00	9791.35	28899.25
Fund Raising	1400.00	2353.00	3753.00	701.22
Grants		5145.00	5145.00	24844.84
Gift Aid	7435.37		7435.37	7098.83
				0.00
Total Receipts	71538.25	15709.00	87247.25	121532.70
Payments				
Diocesan Assessment	53592.00		53592.00	49296.00
Property Maintenance	2000.00	11569.72	13569.72	22218.75
Administration Costs	2736.95		2736.95	3944.54
Church running costs	13886.63		13886.63	9061.59
Rectory Costs	3240.94		3240.94	2050.05
Sunday School	291.40		291.40	773.15
Mission and Charity donations	3100.00		3100.00	2950.00
Other expenses	181.57		181.57	458.69
Subtotal	79029.49	11569.72	90599.21	90752.77
Asset and investment purchases				
Sports equipment				404.87
Kitchen equipment				2578.98
Electrical/IT Equipment				1860.99
Purchase of land for car park		10094.00	10094.00	
Subtotal	0.00	10094.00	10094.00	4844.84
Total Payments	79029.49	21663.72	100693.21	95597.61
Excess of Receipts over payments	-7491.24	-5954.72	-13445.96	25935.09
Transfer				
Cash funds last year end	32271.92	33328.80	65600.72	
Cash funds year end	24780.68	27374.08	52154.76	

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st December 2022

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Cash Funds				
Current Accounts	24780.68	27374.08	52154.76	65600.72
Total Cash Funds	24780.68	27374.08	52154.76	65600.72
Assets retained for Parish's own use				
Sports equipment		404.87	404.87	404.87
Kitchen equipment		2578.98	2578.98	2578.98
Electrical/IT Equipment		1860.99	1860.99	1860.99
Land for Car Park		10000.00	10000.00	
Total		14844.84	14844.84	4844.84
Investment Assets				
Investments in RCB Unit Trusts (Lennox Fund)			365140.20	365140.20
RCB Bequests			2552.48	2552.48
Total Investment Assets			367692.68	367692.68

Investment in RCB Unit Trusts are stated at fair value at each year end date.

The capital of the Lennox fund is retained with the income derived, used as restricted or unrestricted income funds as necessary.

Assets retained for the parishes own use:-

The assets of the parish retained for its own use comprise; -

Church building and graveyard

Church Halls

Fixtures and Fittings

Land for future use as car park

The church buildings and graveyard are deemed to be Heritage assets as defined by the Charities SORP. These Heritage assets are not included in the statement of assets and liabilities as information on the cost or valuation is not available and such information cannot be obtained at a cost commensurate with the benefit to the users of the accounts and to the parish.

The church halls are not included in the statement of assets and liabilities as information on the cost or value cannot be obtained at a cost commensurate with the benefits to the users of the accounts and to the parish.

Fixtures and fittings include the sports equipment, kitchen equipment and electrical and IT equipment purchased during the year and are included at cost value.

Land for car park is valued at cost.

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Annual Report 2022

The year 2022 was an interesting year, we were out from under the Covid restrictions but people still felt uncomfortable. Pastoral home and hospital visits are regular again and people were willing to have visitors in their homes. Homes for the elderly are open again and that brings some new contacts.

The weekly and monthly clubs are getting going again:

Sunday School

Mothers' Union

Craft Group

Study Group

Vestry and Committee meetings

Badminton Club for children and teens

Guides and Rangers

In 2022 we started a monthly Men's breakfast meeting as some felt it was important to have a place for men to talk and address some mental health issues.

We hosted a Coffee Evening, this was always a fun evening for the community. We had over 150 visitors over the space of the evening. It is a fundraising night but the emphasis has always been on 'fun', catching up with people you haven't seen since last year, and this was special as it was the first one hosted post covid restrictions however the atmosphere was dampened as the Coffee Evening was held on the evening of the death of Queen Elizabeth II.

The planning for the Flower Festival 2023 is well underway. The Team met each week to design the stands, and to help train people in hospitality, designing arrangements with the help of the Floral Director (Mark Allen Ma Fleur) and to help people to appreciate the importance of being a welcoming community. We have approached our two local primary schools and they are planning to join us for the welcoming morning. The Mayor of Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and has provisionally given an indication of attendance to officially open the Flower Festival.

We still have the allocated sum of £2500 for an art project with children with Ross Wilson when he is available.

The Tower Repair has been the concern for a number of years now, we have been making applications for grants for the repair work and we hope with the help of the Conservation Architect we have employed that this work will commence late 2024/early 2025.

The Trustees have seen positive movements in the community now we are on the right side of Covid and look forward to more 'gatherings' in the future.

Rev. Louise Crawford-McCafferty

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Annual return

Accounts Examiner

I have examined the above accounts from the primary records supplied, including Bank Statements, Lodgement and Cheque Books and Sustentation Records. I believe these accounts represent a fair view of the finances of the church for the year 2022.

Church Accounts Examiner

Rory Skuce .