

Whitehead Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland · Charity number 104899

Details

Status Overdue

Registered 2016-08-04

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

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Activities

Purposes: 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

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
2023-12-31	£115,022	£83,222	£0	2

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Allan Grier		
Colin Mccracken		
David Hall		
George Farquhar		
Helen Graham		
Jeffrey Glenn		
Lex Graham		
Lorna Greenwood		
Michael Crooks		
Ronnie Warburton		
Rosamund Bennett		
Trevor Greenwood		
Warren Heggan		
Wendy Grier		

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Accounts

WHITEHEAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
a Congregation of The Presbyterian Church In Ireland

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY (Receipts and Payments Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
		£	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	2	72,516	24,810	-	97,326	100,656
Charitable activities	3	-	3,418	-	3,418	2,777
Other trading activities	4	-	3,986	-	3,986	3,931
Investments	5	209	9,836	247	10,292	4,109
Other	6	-	-	-	-	2,927
Total		72,725	42,050	247	115,022	114,400
Expenditure on:						
Raising Funds	7	-	436	-	436	416
Charitable activities	8	40,409	42,377	-	82,786	69,451
Other	9	-	-	-	-	-
Total		40,409	42,813	-	83,222	69,867
Net income / (expenditure)		32,317	- 763	247	31,800	44,534
Transfers between funds		- 6,090	6,292	- 247	45.00	-
Net movement of funds		26,227	5,528	-	31,755	44,534
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward	10	60,113	70,355	-	130,468	85,934
Total funds carried forward	10	86,339	75,884	-	162,223	130,468

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on
and signed on its behalf by

[Signature] [Name] [Date]

[Signature] [Name] [Date]

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
As at 31 December 2023

1. Fixed Assets

The Congregation owns Church premises situated at 8 King's Road, Whitehead, Carrickfergus, BT38 9PU and the associated fixtures, fittings, plant and machinery and a Manse situated at 70 Riverforde, Whitehead, Carrickfergus, BT38 9TS
These have an insurance value of £ **6,647,425**

2. Investments

The Congregation has the following investments. Amounts are shown at market valuation.

	2023	2022
General Investment Fund	12,661	11,610
Property	-	-
Other Investments	-	-
	<u>12,661</u>	<u>11,610</u>

3. Amounts owed

At the end of the year the following amounts were owed to the congregation.

	2023	2022
Gift Aid	2,000	2,741
Other significant items	-	-
	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,741</u>

4. Cash and bank balances

	2023	2022
Deposit Accounts	-	-
Current Accounts	159,389	130,468
Cash Floats	-	-
	<u>159,389</u>	<u>130,468</u>

5. Amounts owed

	2023	2022
Loans	-	-
Others significant items	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on
and signed on its behalf by

Tues 19th November

[Name]
[Date]

Peter Bond
19th Nov 24

[Name]
[Date]

Warren Heggan
19th Nov 24

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

31 December 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As the total income of the congregation is less than £250,000, the Congregation have elected, in accordance with the provision in The Charities Accounts and Reports Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015, to prepare its accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

FUND ACCOUNTING

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be retained either permanently or at the Congregation's discretion; the income derived from the endowment is to be used either as restricted or unrestricted income funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established in the first place.

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments which is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donation 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.

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES					
Recorded giving	57,074	19,783	-	76,857	73,137
Loose collections	1,779	-	-	1,779	445
Donations and gifts	-	705	-	705	-
Gift Aid	13,663	4,322	-	17,985	16,283
Legacies and bequest	-	-	-	-	10,791
	<u>72,516</u>	<u>24,810</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>97,326</u>	<u>100,656</u>
3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES					
Income from charitable activities	-	3,418	-	3,418	2,777
Fees from weddings and funerals	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>3,418</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,418</u>	<u>2,777</u>
4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES					
Fundraising events	-	411	-	411	291
Letting of premises	-	3,575	-	3,575	3,640
Trading income	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>3,986</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,986</u>	<u>3,931</u>
5. INVESTMENTS					
Deposit interest	209	157	-	366	253
General Investment Fund	-	-	247	247	257
Property rents	-	9,679	-	9,679	3,600
Other investment income	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>209</u>	<u>9,836</u>	<u>247</u>	<u>10,292</u>	<u>4,109</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
31 December 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
6. OTHER INCOME					
Proceeds on sale of fixed assets and investments	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	1,106
Loans received	-	-	-	-	1,822
Other income	-	-	-	-	2,927
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
7. RAISING FUNDS					
WFO envelopes	-	436	-	436	416
Fundraising events	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>436</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>436</u>	<u>416</u>
8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES					
General Assembly Assessments	6,366	-	-	6,366	6,457
Presbytery Fees	743	-	-	743	743
Ministry and support staff costs	25,861	4,131	-	29,992	16,636
Congregational running expenses	7,438	21,418	-	28,856	29,244
Donations to Missions and Charities	-	16,828	-	16,828	14,570
Governance costs	-	-	-	-	1,801
	<u>40,409</u>	<u>42,377</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>82,786</u>	<u>69,451</u>
9. OTHER EXPENDITURE					
Investment properties expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
10. FUND BALANCES					
				2023	2022
(i) Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund				81,571	60,113
Cash reserve				81,571	60,113
				<u>81,571</u>	<u>60,113</u>
(ii) Restricted Funds					
Property / Building fund				48,243	44,922
Manse Fund				10,308	3,147
United Appeal fund				375	171
General Missions fund				2,405	2,337
Benevolent Fund				1,097	993
Restricted Congregational funds				5,528	5,453
Organisations Funds				9,860	13,333
				<u>77,818</u>	<u>70,355</u>
(iii) Endowment Funds					
General Investment Fund				12,661	11,610
				<u>12,661</u>	<u>11,610</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
31 December 2023

10. FUND BALANCES

(iv) Reconciliation of movement of funds

	Balance at start	Income	Expend.	Gains / losses	Transfer	Balance at end
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds						
General Fund	-	72,725	44,174	28,551	- 28,551	-
Cash reserve	60,113	-	-	-	21,459	81,571
	<u>60,113</u>	<u>72,725</u>	<u>44,174</u>	<u>28,551</u>	<u>- 7,092</u>	<u>81,571</u>
Restricted Funds						
Property / Building fund	44,922	15,802	13,280	2,522	800	48,243
Manse Fund	3,147	10,279	3,118	7,161	-	10,308
Benevolent Fund	993	13	-	13	91	1,097
United Appeal fund	171	6,704	6,500	204	-	375
General Missions fund	2,337	6,587	7,328	- 741	809	2,405
Restricted Congregational funds	5,453	1,207	7,475	- 6,268	6,343	5,528
Organisations Funds	13,333	3,105	5,874	- 2,768	704	9,860
	<u>70,355</u>	<u>43,698</u>	<u>43,575</u>	<u>123</u>	<u>7,339.05</u>	<u>77,818</u>
Endowment Funds						
General Investment Fund	-	247	-	- -	247	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>247</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>- -</u>	<u>247</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>130,468</u>	<u>116,670</u>	<u>87,749</u>	<u>28,674</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>159,389</u>

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for the year ended 31 December 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
		£	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	2	66,059	34,597	-	100,656	92,194
Charitable activities	3	-	2,777	-	2,777	2,399
Other trading activities	4	-	3,931	-	3,931	2,511
Investments	5	131	3,722	257	4,109	2,434
Other	6	-	2,927	-	2,927	-
Total		66,190	47,953	257	114,400	99,539
Expenditure on:						
Raising Funds	7	-	416	-	416	399
Charitable activities	8	24,259	45,192	-	69,451	92,349
Other	9	-	-	-	-	-
Total		24,259	45,608	-	69,867	92,748
Net income / (expenditure)		41,931	2,346	257	44,534	6,791
Transfers between funds		- 5,806	6,062	- 257	-	-
Net movement of funds		36,125	8,408	-	44,534	6,791
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward	10	23,987	61,947	-	85,934	79,143
Total funds carried forward	10	60,113	70,355	-	130,468	85,934

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
As at 31 December 2022

1. Fixed Assets

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 These have an insurance value of £ **6,183,650**

2. Investments

The Congregation has the following investments. Amounts are shown at market valuation.

	2022	2021
General Investment Fund	11,610	12,650
Property	-	-
Other Investments	-	-
	<u>11,610</u>	<u>12,650</u>

3. Amounts owed

At the end of the year the following amounts were owed to the congregation.

	2022	2021
Gift Aid	2,741	2,940
Other significant items	-	400.0
	<u>2,741</u>	<u>3,340</u>


4. Cash and bank balances

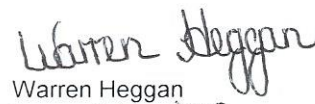
	2022	2021
Deposit Accounts	-	870
Current Accounts	130,468	85,064
Cash Floats	-	-
	<u>130,468</u>	<u>85,934</u>

5. Amounts owed

	2022	2021
Loans	-	-
Others significant items	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 31 October 2023
 and signed on its behalf by


 Rev. N Duddy
 Date: 31/10/23


 Warren Heggan
 Date: 31/10/23

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31 December 2022

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2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Recorded giving	53,414	19,723	-	73,137	73,325
Loose collections	445	-	-	445	486
Donations and gifts	-	-	-	-	3,031
Gift Aid	12,201	4,082	-	16,283	15,351
Legacies and bequest	-	10,791	-	10,791	-
	<u>66,059</u>	<u>34,597</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>100,656</u>	<u>92,194</u>

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

Income from charitable activities	-	2,777	-	2,777	1,409
Fees from weddings and funerals	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	-	-	-	-	991
	<u>-</u>	<u>2,777</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,777</u>	<u>2,399</u>

4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

Fundraising events	-	291	-	291	196
Letting of premises	-	3,640	-	3,640	2,316
Trading income	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>3,931</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,931</u>	<u>2,511</u>

5. INVESTMENTS

Deposit interest	131	122	-	253	187
General Investment Fund	-	-	257	257	247
Property rents	-	3,600	-	3,600	2,000
Other investment income	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>131</u>	<u>3,722</u>	<u>257</u>	<u>4,109</u>	<u>2,434</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
31 December 2022

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
6. OTHER INCOME					
Proceeds on sale of fixed assets and investments	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance claims	-	1,106	-	1,106	-
Loans received	-	-	-	-	-
Other income	-	1,822	-	1,822	-
	-	2,927	-	2,927	-
7. RAISING FUNDS					
WFO envelopes	-	416	-	416	399
Fundraising events	-	-	-	-	-
	-	416	-	416	399
8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES					
General Assembly Assessments	6,457	-	-	6,457	7,102
Presbytery Fees	743	-	-	743	743
Ministry and support staff costs	9,988	6,649	-	16,636	51,098
Congregational running expenses	7,071	22,173	-	29,244	21,592
Donations to Missions and Charities	-	14,570	-	14,570	10,045
Governance costs	-	1,801	-	1,801	1,769
	24,259	45,192	-	69,451	92,349
9. OTHER EXPENDITURE					
Investment properties expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
10. FUND BALANCES					
				2022	2021
(i) Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund				-	-
Cash reserve				60,113	23,987
				<u>60,113</u>	<u>23,987</u>
(ii) Restricted Funds					
Property / Building fund				44,922	42,386
Manse Fund				3,147	2,047
United Appeal fund				171	0
General Missions fund				2,337	2,588
Benevolent Fund				993	870
Restricted Congregational funds				5,453	5,723
Organisations Funds				13,333	8,332
				<u>70,355</u>	<u>61,947</u>
(iii) Endowment Funds					
General Investment Fund				11,610	12,650
				<u>11,610</u>	<u>12,650</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
31 December 2022

10. FUND BALANCES

(iv) Reconciliation of movement of funds

	Balance at start £	Income £	Expend. £	Gains / losses £	Transfer £	Balance at end £
Unrestricted Funds						
General Fund	-	66,190	24,259	41,931 -	41,931	-
Cash reserve	23,987	-	-	-	36,125	60,113
	<u>23,987</u>	<u>66,190</u>	<u>24,259</u>	<u>41,931 -</u>	<u>5,806</u>	<u>60,113</u>
Restricted Funds						
Property / Building fund	42,386	20,691	18,656	2,035	500	44,922
Manse Fund	2,047	5,422	4,322	1,099	-	3,147
Benevolent Fund	870	1	-	1	122	993
United Appeal fund	-	6,087	5,916	171	-	171
General Missions fund	2,588	7,575	8,654 -	1,079	828	2,337
Restricted Congregational funds	5,723	310	5,594 -	5,283	5,013	5,453
Organisations Funds	8,332	7,868	2,466	5,401 -	400	13,333
	<u>61,947</u>	<u>47,953</u>	<u>45,608</u>	<u>2,346</u>	<u>6,062</u>	<u>70,355</u>
Endowment Funds						
General Investment Fund	-	257	-	- -	257	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>257</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>- -</u>	<u>257</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>85,934</u>	<u>114,400</u>	<u>69,867</u>	<u>44,277 -</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>130,468</u>

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Annual report

**WHITEHEAD CONGREGATION
OF
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND**

**Trustees Annual Report and
Financial Statements
for the year ended
31 December 2022**

Registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland NIC104899

**WHITEHEAD PRESBYTERIAN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT**

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 and a Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at that date.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Whitehead congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland
8 Kings Road, Whitehead, BT38 9PU.

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC104899)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

The Charity Trustees who served during the year or who were trustees at the date of this report were:

Mrs R Bennett	Mr A Grier
Mr M J Crooks	Mrs W Grier
Dr G Farquhar	Mr D G Hall
Mr J Glenn	Mr W Heggan
Mr A H Graham	Mrs L Macdonald (Decd.)
Mrs H Graham	Mr C A McCracken
Mrs L Greenwood	Mr R Warburton
Mr T Greenwood	

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Vacancy Convener	Rev N Duddy
Clerk of Session	Mrs H Graham
Treasurer	AH Graham

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Falconer Stewart

BANKERS

Danske Bank, High Street, Carrickfergus, BT38 7AN

WHITEHEAD CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

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 congregation. All members are entitled to propose, speak and exercise equal votes at meetings, except that the Moderator, the minister in active duty in the congregation, has no deliberative but only a casting vote.

Stated meetings of the Kirk Session are held at least six times in 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. Whitehead congregation of the Presbyterian Church has been assigned to the Carrickfergus 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.

WHITEHEAD CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND 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

The charitable purpose of the congregation is the advancement of religion.

Whitehead congregation of the 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's mission purpose is, by the grace of God, to help people of all ages become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ. Our vision is, by the grace of God, to be an inclusive, welcoming community of Christ's people of all ages, which:

- is increasingly characterised by the love of God and love and concern for others;
- is committed to the historic Christian gospel as revealed in the Bible;
- is relevant to people of this time and place.

In living out our Mission and Vision as a family of God's people:

- we are determined to present the Good News of the Gospel as directly and clearly as possible and in a manner that is engaging, relevant and genuinely helpful, and which allows people to ask questions without risk of embarrassment or condemnation.
- we are committed to helping people of all ages, from the youngest to the oldest, to discover that faith in Christ is about whole life living and not just Sunday morning singing.
- we will strive to encourage a developing sense of individual responsibility for the growth of personal faith in people of all ages.
- we will encourage Christians to support and encourage each other in their faith life.
- we will promote a genuine determination among our members to embrace hospitality as a personal choice beyond corporate mechanisms, to reflect the welcome of the gospel and the heart of Christ from our members to one another and to visitors.
- we promise to value, support, encourage, train and resource our leaders and help them to see their role as part of the larger team.
- we have chosen to play a key role in the community of Whitehead as people who care about the things that matter to the people of Whitehead and to go out of our way to support individuals, families and groups in our community who are in need.

WHITEHEAD CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

- we agree to work with the other churches in the town and local area to show that our unity in Christ is more important than our differences while recognising that our unique identity is also worth maintaining and celebrating.

ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

The congregation meets for worship every Sunday and visitors are welcome to join. The Sacrament of the Lord's 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 Bible study meetings through Home Groups which meet regularly.

The congregation has a range of organisations including:

- PW (Presbyterian Women)
- Badminton Club
- 5-a-side Football
- Men's Coffee Group
- Ladies' Coffee Group

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

We meet each Sunday morning for worship whilst continuing online services.

The prayer group continued to meet on-line and a weekly prayer time was held during the summer months in the halls.

Three Homegroups met in people's homes and one in the church halls involving 50 people.

Business meetings were held in person.

Rev Nathan Duddy continued as Vacancy Convener.

We did not conduct any Sacrament of Baptism. No marriage services were conducted. We gave thanks for the lives of **12** members who had died through the year and sought to bring comfort to all those who had been bereaved during the year.

At 31 December 2022 there were **119** communicant members and **158** families connected with the congregation. The average weekly attendance at morning worship was **51**.

Pastoral care

All members of the congregation received visits, on their doorsteps, by elders distributing copies of magazines produced quarterly to try to keep everyone up to date with what was happening.

The Vacancy Convener also visited families where there was illness or a bereavement or a general pastoral care issue.

WHITEHEAD CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

MISSION AND OUTREACH

The congregation continues to reach out in various ways through our regular weekly activities: The Coffee Men meeting in a local café allowing conversation among those who find it hardest to talk. A similar meeting exists for ladies to meet in a local café. Recordings of Sunday services were made available online through YouTube and Facebook. We have continued to be enthusiastic members and supporters of the Whitehead Storehouse, our local foodbank, which has proved to be a vital lifeline to many members of our local community. Our church's involvement in hosting local events was curtailed by the Covid Lockdown and subsequent cancellation of most. We have lifted restrictions on this facility.

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 a 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, assists with the running costs of Union Theological College (the Church's training college for ministry students), and financially supports congregations in the areas of worship, discipleship, global mission, outreach, leadership and pastoral care.

The congregation contributes to the denomination's Moderator's Special Appeal and any other special appeals.

Presbytery

The congregation was represented at the regular meetings of Presbytery by our Vacancy Convener and representative Elder. This provides an important link between the congregation and the wider structures of the church.

General Assembly

The meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland was held at Assembly Buildings, Belfast in June and attended by one of our elders, nominated by the Kirk Session.

**WHITEHEAD CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)**

Property

We are pleased to report that the property is generally in good order. Regular checks were made to ensure that the premises were free from water ingress and suitably ventilated and maintained.

ORGANISATIONS

Presbyterian Women	Usually meets monthly from October to March. Met only October to December in 2022. Average attendance is 16. Varied programme including worship, prayer, talks, craft demonstrations and fund-raising for missionaries.
Badminton Club	Usually meets weekly from October to May with exceptions for school holidays and for competitions. Met in 2022 under this programme. Average attendance 16. Playing badminton.
Coffee Men	This group meets in a local café for tea, coffee and chat on a weekly basis. They have an average of 12- 18 men – it is open to men outside our congregation.
Ladies Coffee Group	This group meets in a local café for tea, coffee and chat on a weekly basis. They have an average of 10- 15 Ladies – it is open to women outside our congregation.
Five-a-side Football Club	Usually meets fortnightly throughout 2022 – average attendance was 8 adults (range of 6 to 12) – playing indoor football.

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.

**WHITEHEAD CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
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.

**WHITEHEAD CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)**

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The congregation's main source of income is members' contributions through the Weekly Freewill Offering (WFO). There were **106** contributors during the year (103 in 2021) donating a total of £66,190 (£67,662 in 2021).

Total Income of the congregation during the year was £114,400, compared to £99,539 in the previous year.

Total expenditure of the congregation during the year was £66,866, compared to £92,748 in the previous year.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements of the congregation in accordance with applicable law and generally accepted accounting practice.

As the congregation's total income does not exceed £250,000, the Trustees have elected under Section 64(3) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 to prepare a receipts and payment account and a statement of assets and liabilities.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the congregation's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time its financial position. 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.

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 31 October 2023 and signed on its behalf by

Rev N Duddy

Date:

Nath Duddy
31/10/23

Warren Heggan
Warren Heggan (Clerk of Session)

Date:

31/10/23

Whitehead Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 104899

Annual return

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF WHITEHEAD CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31st December 2022, which are set out on pages 11 to 16.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and that an independent examination is needed. The charity's gross income did not exceed £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination being a qualified Chartered Accountant.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- (i) examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act;
- (ii) to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- (iii) to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charities Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no other matter except that referred to in the previous paragraph has come to my attention:

- (a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - (i) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act; and
 - (ii) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities;have not been met or
- (b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Michael J Crooks

Michael J Crooks
Chartered Accountant

Falconer Stewart
248 Upper Newtownards Road
Belfast
BT4 3EU

Dated: 30th October 2023.

Whitehead Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

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Accounts

WHITEHEAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
a Congregation of The Presbyterian Church In Ireland

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY (Receipts and Payments Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
		£	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	2	67,585	24,609	-	92,194	96,603
Charitable activities	3	-	2,399	-	2,399	4,123
Other trading activities	4	-	2,511	-	2,511	2,914
Investments	5	77	2,110	247	2,434	411
Other	6	-	-	-	-	-
Total		67,662	31,631	247	99,539	104,052
Expenditure on:						
Raising Funds	7	-	399	-	399	388
Charitable activities	8	58,116	34,233	-	92,349	117,098
Other	9	-	-	-	-	-
Total		58,116	34,632	-	92,748	117,486
Net income / (expenditure)		9,545 -	3,001	247	6,791 -	13,434
Transfers between funds		- 5,620	5,867 -	247	-	-
Net movement of funds		3,925	2,866	-	6,791 -	13,434
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward	10	20,062	59,081	-	79,143	92,577
Total funds carried forward	10	23,987	61,947	-	85,934	79,143

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
As at 31 December 2021

1. Fixed Assets

The Congregation owns Church premises situated at 8 King's Road, Whitehead, Carrickfergus, BT38 9PU and the associated fixtures, fittings, plant and machinery and a Manse situated at 70 Riverforde, Whitehead, Carrickfergus, BT38 9TS

These have an insurance value of £ **5,752,233**

2. Investments

The Congregation has the following investments. Amounts are shown at market valuation.

	2021	2020
General Investment Fund	12,650	11,207
Property	-	-
Other Investments *	-	6,480
	12,650	17,687

* the *Other Investments* were held in the Presbyterian Mutual Society. As we have been advised that there will be no further payments released from the Society, Congregational Committee agreed, at its meeting on 25 May 2021, that the amount of £6,479.71 be written from the accounts.

3. Amounts owed

At the end of the year the following amounts were owed to the congregation.

	2021	2020
Gift Aid	2,940	3,740
Other significant items	400	-
	3,340	3,740

4. Cash and bank balances

	2021	2020
Deposit Accounts	870	885
Current Accounts	85,064	78,258
Cash Floats	-	-
	85,934	79,143

5. Amounts owed

	2021	2020
Loans	-	-
Others significant items	-	-
	-	-

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on and signed on its behalf by

13th September 2022

[Name] *Nathan Duddy*
 [Date] *13/09/22*

[Name] *Helen Graham*
 [Date] *13/09/22*

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
31 December 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As the total income of the congregation is less than £250,000, the Congregation have elected, in accordance with the provision in The Charities Accounts and Reports Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015, to prepare its accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

FUND ACCOUNTING

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be retained either permanently or at the Congregation's discretion; the income derived from the endowment is to be used either as restricted or unrestricted income funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established in the first place.

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments which is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donation 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.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Recorded giving	55,958	17,367	-	73,325	75,840
Loose collections	486	-	-	486	306
Donations and gifts	-	3,031	-	3,031	285
Gift Aid	11,140	4,211	-	15,351	15,172
Legacies and bequest	-	-	-	-	5,000
	<u>67,585</u>	<u>24,609</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>92,194</u>	<u>96,603</u>

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

Income from charitable activities	-	1,409	-	1,409	2,270
Fees from weddings and funerals	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	-	991	-	991	1,854
	<u>-</u>	<u>2,399</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,399</u>	<u>4,123</u>

4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

Fundraising events	-	196	-	196	709
Letting of premises	-	2,316	-	2,316	2,205
Trading income	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>2,511</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,511</u>	<u>2,914</u>

5. INVESTMENTS

Deposit interest	77	110	-	187	193
General Investment Fund	-	-	247	247	219
Property rents	-	2,000	-	2,000	-
Other investment income	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>77</u>	<u>2,110</u>	<u>247</u>	<u>2,434</u>	<u>411</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
31 December 2021

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
6. OTHER INCOME					
Proceeds on sale of fixed assets and investments	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	-
Loans received	-	-	-	-	-
Other income	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
7. RAISING FUNDS					
WFO envelopes	-	399	-	399	388
Fundraising events	-	-	-	-	-
	-	399	-	399	388
8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES					
General Assembly Assessments	7,102	-	-	7,102	9,055
Presbytery Fees	743	-	-	743	729
Ministry and support staff costs	43,668	7,430	-	51,098	60,745
Congregational running expenses	6,603	14,989	-	21,592	30,702
Donations to Missions and Charities	-	10,045	-	10,045	14,106
Governance costs	-	1,769	-	1,769	1,760
	58,116	34,233	-	92,349	117,098
9. OTHER EXPENDITURE					
Investment properties expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
10. FUND BALANCES					
				2021	2020
(i) Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund				-	-
Cash reserve				23,987	20,062
				<u>23,987</u>	<u>20,062</u>
(ii) Restricted Funds					
Property / Building fund				42,386	44,098
Manse Fund				2,047	154
United Appeal fund				0	0
General Missions fund				2,588	1,158
Benevolent Fund				870	885
Restricted Congregational funds				5,723	5,606
Organisations Funds				8,332	7,179
				<u>61,947</u>	<u>59,081</u>
(iii) Endowment Funds					
General Investment Fund				12,650	11,207
				<u>12,650</u>	<u>11,207</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
31 December 2021

10. FUND BALANCES

(iv) Reconciliation of movement of funds

	Balance at start £	Income £	Expend. £	Gains / losses £	Transfer £	Balance at end £
Unrestricted Funds						
General Fund	-	67,662	58,116	9,545 -	9,545	-
Cash reserve	20,062	-	-	-	3,925	23,987
	<u>20,062</u>	<u>67,662</u>	<u>58,116</u>	<u>9,545 -</u>	<u>5,620</u>	<u>23,987</u>
Restricted Funds						
Property / Building fund	44,098	14,766	16,478 -	1,712	-	42,386
Manse Fund	154	2,000	106	1,894	-	2,047
Benevolent Fund	885	0	40 -	40	25	870
United Appeal fund	0	5,944	6,354 -	410	410	-
General Missions fund	1,158	4,477	3,551	925	505	2,588
Restricted Congregational funds	5,606	3,031	7,745 -	4,714	4,831	5,723
Organisations Funds	7,179	1,413	356	1,056	96	8,331.73
	<u>59,081</u>	<u>31,631</u>	<u>34,632 -</u>	<u>3,001</u>	<u>5,867</u>	<u>61,947</u>
Endowment Funds						
General Investment Fund	-	247	-	- -	247	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>247</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>- -</u>	<u>247</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>79,143</u>	<u>99,539</u>	<u>92,748</u>	<u>6,544 -</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>85,934</u>

Whitehead Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 104899

Annual report



WHITEHEAD PRESBYTERIAN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 and a Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at that date.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Whitehead congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

WHITEHEAD CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

CHARITY TRUSTEES

The Charity Trustees who served during the year or who were trustees at the date of this report were:

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for the year ended
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- Rev I Caron
- Mrs R Bennett
- Mrs C Cufft
- Mr M J Crooks
- Dr G Farquhar
- Mr J Glenn
- Mr A H Graham
- Mrs H Graham
- Mrs J Greenwood
- Mr T Greenwood

- Mrs G McNeill
- Mr R Warburton
- Mr D Watson

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

- Rev I Caron (past year)
- Mrs H Graham
- AH Graham

- Minister
- Clerk of Session
- Treasurer

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Falconer Stewart

BANKERS

Registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland NIC104899

WHITEHEAD PRESBYTERIAN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

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Whitehead congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland
8 Kings Road, Whitehead, BT38 9PU.

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC104899)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

The Charity Trustees who served during the year or who were trustees at the date of this report were:

Rev I Carton	Mr A Grier
Mrs R Bennett	Mrs W Grier
Mrs C Cubitt	Mr D G Hall
Mr M J Crooks	Mr W Heggan
Dr G Farquhar	Mrs L Macdonald
Mr J Glenn	Mr C A McCracken
Mr A H Graham	Mrs G McNeill
Mrs H Graham	Mr R Warburton
Mrs L Greenwood	Mr D Watson
Mr T Greenwood	

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Minister	Rev I Carton (part year)
Clerk of Session	Mrs H Graham
Treasurer	AH Graham

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Falconer Stewart

BANKERS

Danske Bank, High Street, Carrickfergus, BT38 7AN

WHITEHEAD CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

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 congregation. All members are entitled to propose, speak and exercise equal votes at meetings, except that the Moderator, the minister in active duty in the congregation, has no deliberative but only a casting vote.

Stated meetings of the Kirk session are held at least six times in 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. Whitehead congregation of the Presbyterian Church has been assigned to the Carrickfergus 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 the congregation.

WHITEHEAD CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND 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

The charitable purpose of the congregation is the advancement of religion.

Whitehead congregation of the 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's mission purpose is, by the grace of God, to help people of all ages become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ. Our vision is, by the grace of God, to be an inclusive, welcoming community of Christ's people of all ages, which:

- is increasingly characterised by the love of God and love and concern for others;
- is committed to the historic Christian gospel as revealed in the Bible;
- is relevant to people of this time and place.

In living out our Mission and Vision as a family of God's people:

- we are determined to present the Good News of the Gospel as directly and clearly as possible and in a manner that is engaging, relevant and genuinely helpful, and which allows people to ask questions without risk of embarrassment or condemnation.
- we are committed to helping people of all ages, from the youngest to the oldest, to discover that faith in Christ is about whole life living and not just Sunday morning singing.
- we will strive to encourage a developing sense of individual responsibility for the growth of personal faith in people of all ages.
- we will encourage Christians to support and encourage each other in their faith life.
- we will promote a genuine determination among our members to embrace hospitality as a personal choice beyond corporate mechanisms, to reflect the welcome of the gospel and the heart of Christ from our members to one another and to visitors.
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- PW (Presbyterian Women)
- The Boys' Brigade
- Carer and Toddlers Group
- Messy Church
- Indoor Bowling Club
- Badminton Club
- Dad Time
- 5-a-side Football
- Men's Coffee Group
- Rambling Group

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

At the start of this year the congregation continued to meet online each Sunday for worship, however as Covid-19 restrictions were eased we began to meet in the church building for Sunday morning worship whilst continuing online services for those who still felt unable to meet in a crowd.

One of the Homegroups, a prayer meeting and business meetings continued to be held online.

In June we were saddened when our minister Rev Ian Carton tendered his resignation, for personal reasons, to the Presbytery of Carrickfergus with effect from the 30 September. The commission of presbytery generously allowed Ian to take leave with effect from 01 July and services were covered by other preachers.

Rev Nathan Duddy was appointed by presbytery as Vacancy Convener with effect from 01 October.

We did not conduct any Sacrament of Baptism. One marriage service was conducted. We gave thanks for the lives of 8 members who had died through the year and sought to bring comfort to all those who had been bereaved during the year.

At 31 December 2021 there were 120 communicant members and 161 families connected with the congregation. The average week attendance at morning worship was 40.

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Pastoral care

All members of the congregation received visits, on their doorsteps, by elders distributing copies of magazines produced in Spring and Winter to try to keep everyone up to date with what was happening. The Minister or the Vacancy Convener also visited families where there was illness or a bereavement, a birth or a general pastoral care issue.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Following the easing of the lock-down, due to Covid-19, the congregation gradually began to reach out in various ways through some of our regular weekly activities: the Rambling Group for fitter older people and the Coffee Men meeting in a local café allowing conversation among those who find it hardest to talk.

Our minister and some members of our congregation continued to put services out online through YouTube, Facebook and by phone. This continued when the congregation was again allowed to gather in person at Sunday worship.

We have continued to be enthusiastic members and supporters of the Whitehead Storehouse, our local foodbank, which has proved to be a vital lifeline to many members of our local community especially during lockdown. Our church's involvement in hosting local events was curtailed by the Covid Lockdown and subsequent cancellation of most. We are hoping to resume this when restrictions are lifted.

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 a 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, assists with the running costs of Union Theological College (the Church's training college for ministry students), and financially supports congregations in the areas of worship, discipleship, global mission, outreach, leadership and pastoral care.

The congregation contributes to the denomination's Moderator's Special Appeal and any other special appeals.

Presbytery

The congregation was represented at the regular meetings of Presbytery by our minister/ Vacancy Convener and representative Elder. This provides an important link between the congregation and the wider structures of the church.

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General Assembly

The meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland was held at Assembly Buildings, Belfast in October and attended by one of our elders, nominated by the Kirk Session.

Property

We are pleased to report that the property is generally in good order. During the restrictions imposed due to Covid-19, regular checks were made to ensure that the premises were free from water ingress and suitably ventilated and maintained.

ORGANISATIONS

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| Presbyterian Women | Usually met monthly from October to March, did not meet during 2021. Average attendance had been 16. Varied programme including worship, prayer, talks, craft demonstrations and fund-raising for missionaries. |
| The Boys' Brigade | Usually met monthly from October to May during the year, did not meet during 2021. Average attendance 32. Bible Class, games, PE, marching skills and charity fund-raising. |
| Circle of Friends | Usually met weekly from October to May, other than Christmas and Easter holidays, did not meet at all in 2021. Average attendance had been 14. Varied programme including talks, games, crafts, music and occasional outings. Christmas gift were delivered to members in Dec 2020. |
| Little Beacons | Usually met weekly. Did not meet at all during 2021. Average attendance had been 15 carers and 20 toddlers. Met for play, snacks chat and singing. |
| Messy Church | Usually met monthly, did not meet at all in 2021. Average attendance had been 10 families with 16 babies and children up to 8 years old. Met for Bible stories, drama, crafts, lunch chat and singing. |

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- Indoor Bowling Club** Usually met weekly from October to May, other than school holidays and for competitions. Previous average attendance 20. Short mat indoor bowling. Following their sport's national guidelines, this club did not meet in 2021.
- Badminton Club** Usually met weekly from October to May and for competitions. Only met in 2021 from September. Average attendance 16. Playing badminton.
- Dad Time** Usually met monthly, September to June, other than school holidays. Did not meet at all in 2021. Average attendance 8 adults with 12 children. For fathers and their children to find mutual support by enjoying a meal, fun and fellowship together in a Christian context.
- Coffee Men** This group had been meeting for tea, coffee and chat on a weekly basis before lockdown and when restrictions were relaxed began meeting again during 2021. They would have an average of 12- 15 men – it is open to men outside our congregation.
- Five-a-side Football Club** Usually met fortnightly – met from September to December 2021 – average attendance was 8 adults – playing indoor football.

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.

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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.

Helen Graham (Clerk of Session)

Date: 22/10/22

Rev N Duddy

Date: 22/10/22

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

The congregation's main source of income is members' contributions through the Weekly Freewill Offering (WFO). There were **103** contributors during the year (120 in 2020) donating a total of £67,662 (£68,518 in 2020).

Total Income of the congregation during the year was £99,539, compared to £104,052 in the previous year.

Total expenditure of the congregation during the year was £92,748, compared to £117,486 in the previous year.

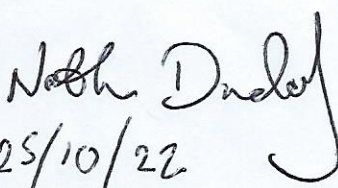
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

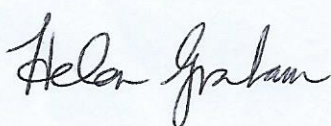
The Trustees are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements of the congregation in accordance with applicable law and generally accepted accounting practice.

As the congregation's total income does not exceed £250,000, the Trustees have elected under Section 64(3) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 to prepare a receipts and payment account and a statement of assets and liabilities.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the congregation's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time its financial position. 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.

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 25 October 2022 and signed on its behalf by

Rev N Duddy 
Date: 25/10/22

Helen Graham (Clerk of Session) 
Date: 25/10/22

Whitehead Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 104899

Annual return

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF WHITEHEAD CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out on pages 11 to 16.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and that an independent examination is needed. The charity's gross income did not exceed £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination being a qualified Chartered Accountant.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- (i) examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act;
- (ii) to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- (iii) to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charities Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no other matter except that referred to in the previous paragraph has come to my attention:

- (a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - (i) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act; and
 - (ii) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities;have not been met or
- (b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Michael J Crooks

Michael J Crooks
Chartered Accountant

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Dated: 25th October 2022.