

Age Concern Network of Newcastle & District

Northern Ireland · Charity number 105007

Details

Status Received

Registered 2016-05-10

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Activities

Purposes: The objects for which the Network is established are to relieve poverty, advance education and to promote the preservation and protection of health among older people and to promote the benefit of such older people in Newcastle and its environs of Newcastle District (hereinafter called the 'area of benefit') who are in need as a result of their age, infirmity, disability or social and economic circumstances and in particular; (a) To further and promote the work of Northern Ireland Old People's Welfare Council and to this end it is acknowledged that the said work shall be limited to exclusively charitable purposes in accordance with the Memorandum of the said Company. (b) To provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation, education or other leisure-time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for older people. (c) To raise awareness among the general public of the needs and experience of older people in the area of benefits.

What the charity does: The prevention or relief of poverty, The advancement of education, The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage

How the charity works: Advice/advocacy/information, Community enterprise, Relief of poverty, Welfare/benevolent

Who the charity helps: Older people

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£66,897	£74,559	£0	2

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mr Domnall Mccomish		
Mr Michael Smith		
Mr Reg Bell		
Mrs Geraldine Milligan		
Mrs Joan Devlin		
Mrs Margaret Mcveigh		
Ms Eileen Brady		
Ms Goretti Drummy		
Ms Mary Marr		

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Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

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Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

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Objects and aims

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Our core aims are to help improve the quality of life of older people in the Greater Newcastle area by promoting their physical, emotional and social well being. We have continued to do this through our home visits, laundry service, Thursday club, silver surfers, whist, craft classes, fitter feet, shopping trips, days out and two holidays per year.

We also recruit and train older volunteers to enable them to become involved in the design, development and delivery of services.

Fundraising has continued to play an important role and we have gained funds through our flag day, car boot sale and raffles.

Achievements and performance

The statement of financial activities for the year ended 31st March 2025 shows a deficit of £7,702. Total expenditure was £74,599 of which all was applied directly to the costs of activities in furtherance of the objects of the charity.

The balance sheet shows net assets of £230,938 (2024: £265,866) all unrestricted funds and includes £344 represented by the equipment of the charity, which by its nature cannot be applied to the work of the charity without disposing of the assets that these funds represent.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

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4. to cover management, administration, fundraising and support costs without which the charity could not function.

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The Network and its property and affairs are managed by an executive committee. The network and its committees are at all times accountable to and comply with the directions of Northern Ireland Old People's Welfare Council, which carries on its activities under the general title of 'Age Concern'.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 30 September 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



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Mr Reg Bell
Trustee

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- 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 includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

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

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District (continued)

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.



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30 September 2025

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2025 £
Income and Endowments from:			
Donations and legacies		2,428	2,428
Charitable activities		33,469	33,469
Investment income	2	<u>31,000</u>	<u>31,000</u>
Total income		<u>66,897</u>	<u>66,897</u>
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities		(74,435)	(74,435)
Other expenditure	3	<u>(164)</u>	<u>(164)</u>
Total expenditure		(74,599)	(74,599)
Gains/losses on investment assets		<u>(27,226)</u>	<u>(27,226)</u>
Net expenditure		<u>(34,928)</u>	<u>(34,928)</u>
Net movement in funds		(34,928)	(34,928)
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		<u>265,866</u>	<u>265,866</u>
Total funds carried forward	9	<u><u>230,938</u></u>	<u><u>230,938</u></u>

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form an integral part of these financial statements.
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Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	6	344	433
Current assets			
Investments	7	218,227	247,039
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>13,303</u>	<u>19,300</u>
		231,530	266,339
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>(936)</u>	<u>(906)</u>
Net current assets		<u>230,594</u>	<u>265,433</u>
Net assets		<u>230,938</u>	<u>265,866</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		(7,702)	(9,322)
Revaluation reserve		(27,226)	(10,405)
Other reserves		<u>265,866</u>	<u>285,593</u>
Total unrestricted funds		<u>230,938</u>	<u>265,866</u>
Total funds	9	<u>230,938</u>	<u>265,866</u>

The financial statements on pages 7 to 13 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 30 September 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

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Mr Reg Bell
Trustee

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

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

Income and endowments

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

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

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Fixtures and fittings - 25% on cost

Current asset investments

Current asset investments are included at the lower of cost and net realisable value / market value.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025 (continued)

Trade creditors

are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Fund structure

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

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

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

Pensions and other post retirement obligations

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Other investment income	31,000	31,000
Total for 2025	31,000	31,000
Total for 2024	20,000	20,000

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025 (continued)

3 Other expenditure

	Note	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Depreciation, amortisation and other similar costs		164	164
Total for 2025		164	164
Total for 2024		565	565

4 Analysis of governance and support costs

Governance costs

		Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Independent examiner fees			
Examination of the financial statements		864	864
Total for 2025		864	864
Total for 2024		906	906

5 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

Trustees' expenses

During the year there were no expenses reimbursed to committee members.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025 (continued)

6 Tangible fixed assets

	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2024	23,852	23,852
Additions	75	75
	23,927	23,927
At 31 March 2025		
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2024	23,419	23,419
Charge for the year	164	164
	23,583	23,583
At 31 March 2025		
Net book value		
At 31 March 2025	344	344
At 31 March 2024	433	433

7 Current asset investments

	2025 £	2024 £
Shares in group undertakings and participating interests	218,227	247,039

8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals	936	906

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2025 (continued)

	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
<i>Donations and legacies</i>		
Donations and fundraising	833	2,385
Subscriptions	1,595	1,698
	2,428	4,083
<i>Charitable activities</i>		
Activities	30,408	37,434
Donations	3,061	2,163
	33,469	39,597
<i>Investment income</i>		
Bank interest received	31,000	20,000
	31,000	20,000
<i>Charitable activities</i>		
Purchases	(7,194)	(6,322)
Rent	(7,440)	(6,240)
Travelling	(2,994)	(2,925)
Holidays	(26,858)	(33,528)
Advertising	-	(165)
Bank charges	(336)	(349)
Wages and salaries	(20,743)	(17,008)
Staff pensions	(1,430)	(1,430)
Light, heat and power	(2,711)	(1,532)
Insurance	(266)	(265)
Telephone and fax	(1,370)	(334)
Printing, postage and stationery	(1,276)	(739)
Sundry expenses	(953)	(694)
Independent examiner's fee	(864)	(906)
	(74,435)	(72,437)
<i>Other expenditure</i>		
Depreciation of fixtures and fittings	(164)	(565)
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This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements.

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Mrs Joan Devlin

Ms Rosemary Mooney (resigned 31 October 2023)

Mrs Linda Watson (resigned 31 October 2023)

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8 October 2024

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2024 £
Income and Endowments from:			
Donations and legacies		4,083	4,083
Charitable activities		39,597	39,597
Investment income	2	20,000	20,000
Total income		63,680	63,680
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities		(72,437)	(72,437)
Other expenditure	3	(565)	(565)
Total expenditure		(73,002)	(73,002)
Gains/losses on investment assets		(10,405)	(10,405)
Net expenditure		(19,727)	(19,727)
Net movement in funds		(19,727)	(19,727)
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		285,593	285,593
Total funds carried forward	9	265,866	265,866

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Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

(Registration number: 105007)
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	6	433	998
Current assets			
Investments	7	247,039	260,218
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>19,300</u>	<u>23,991</u>
		266,339	284,209
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>(906)</u>	<u>(1,614)</u>
Net current assets		<u>265,433</u>	<u>282,595</u>
Net assets		<u>265,866</u>	<u>283,593</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		(9,322)	11,116
Revaluation reserve		(10,405)	(34,794)
Other reserves		<u>285,593</u>	<u>307,271</u>
Total unrestricted funds		<u>265,866</u>	<u>283,593</u>
Total funds	9	<u>265,866</u>	<u>283,593</u>

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2 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Other investment income	20,000	20,000
Total for 2024	<u>20,000</u>	<u>20,000</u>
Total for 2023	<u>18,000</u>	<u>18,000</u>

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

3 Other expenditure

	Note	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Depreciation, amortisation and other similar costs		565	565
Total for 2024		565	565
Total for 2023		746	746

4 Analysis of governance and support costs

Governance costs

		Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Independent examiner fees			
Examination of the financial statements		906	906
Total for 2024		906	906
Total for 2023		936	936

5 Trustees remuneration and expenses

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Trustees' expenses

During the year there were no expenses reimbursed to committee members.

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

6 Tangible fixed assets

	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2023	23,852	23,852
At 31 March 2024	<u>23,852</u>	<u>23,852</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2023	22,854	22,854
Charge for the year	<u>565</u>	<u>565</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>23,419</u>	<u>23,419</u>
Net book value		
At 31 March 2024	<u>433</u>	<u>433</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>998</u>	<u>998</u>

7 Current asset investments

	2024 £	2023 £
Shares in group undertakings and participating interests	<u>247,039</u>	<u>260,218</u>

8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Accruals	<u>906</u>	<u>1,614</u>

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

9 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Other recognised gains/(losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Unrestricted funds					
General	285,593	63,680	(73,002)	(10,405)	265,866
	<u>285,593</u>	<u>63,680</u>	<u>(73,002)</u>	<u>(10,405)</u>	<u>265,866</u>
	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Other recognised gains/(losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2023 £
Unrestricted funds					
General	307,271	62,159	(51,043)	(34,794)	283,593
	<u>307,271</u>	<u>62,159</u>	<u>(51,043)</u>	<u>(34,794)</u>	<u>283,593</u>

10 Analysis of net funds

	At 1 April 2023 £	Financing cash flows £	Changes in market value £	At 31 March 2024 £
Cash at bank and in hand	23,992	(4,692)	-	19,300
Current asset investments	260,218	-	(13,179)	247,039
Net debt	284,210	(4,692)	(13,179)	266,339
	<u>284,210</u>	<u>(4,692)</u>	<u>(13,179)</u>	<u>266,339</u>
	At 1 April 2022 £	Financing cash flows £	Changes in market value £	At 31 March 2023 £
Cash at bank and in hand	22,917	1,075	-	23,992
Current asset investments	283,964	-	(23,746)	260,218
Net debt	306,881	1,075	(23,746)	284,210
	<u>306,881</u>	<u>1,075</u>	<u>(23,746)</u>	<u>284,210</u>

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Statement of Financial Activities by fund for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Total Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Total Unrestricted Funds 2023 £
Income and Endowments from:		
Donations and legacies	4,083	2,736
Charitable activities	39,597	41,423
Investment income	<u>20,000</u>	<u>18,000</u>
Total income	<u>63,680</u>	<u>62,159</u>
Expenditure on:		
Charitable activities	(72,437)	(50,297)
Other expenditure	<u>(565)</u>	<u>(746)</u>
Total expenditure	<u>(73,002)</u>	<u>(51,043)</u>
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>(9,322)</u>	<u>11,116</u>
Reconciliation of funds		
Total funds carried forward	<u><u>(9,322)</u></u>	<u><u>11,116</u></u>

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Income and Endowments from:		
Donations and legacies (analysed below)	4,083	2,736
Charitable activities (analysed below)	39,597	41,423
Investment income (analysed below)	20,000	18,000
Total income	<u>63,680</u>	<u>62,159</u>
Expenditure on:		
Charitable activities (analysed below)	(72,437)	(50,297)
Other expenditure (analysed below)	<u>(565)</u>	<u>(746)</u>
Total expenditure	<u>(73,002)</u>	<u>(51,043)</u>
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>(9,322)</u>	<u>11,116</u>
Reconciliation of funds		
Total funds carried forward	<u>(9,322)</u>	<u>11,116</u>

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<i>Donations and legacies</i>		
Donations and fundraising	2,385	1,489
Subscriptions	1,698	1,247
	4,083	2,736
<i>Charitable activities</i>		
Activities	37,434	39,685
Donations	2,163	1,738
	39,597	41,423
<i>Investment income</i>		
Bank interest received	20,000	18,000
	20,000	18,000
<i>Charitable activities</i>		
Fundraising costs	-	(150)
Purchases	(6,322)	(3,883)
Rent	(6,240)	(6,240)
Travelling	(2,925)	(2,170)
Holidays	(33,528)	(16,685)
Advertising	(165)	-
Bank charges	(349)	(314)
Wages and salaries	(17,008)	(15,072)
Staff pensions	(1,430)	(1,310)
Light, heat and power	(1,532)	(486)
Insurance	(265)	(256)
Telephone and fax	(334)	(988)
Printing, postage and stationery	(739)	(578)
Sundry expenses	(694)	(1,229)
Independent examiner's fee	(906)	(906)
Consultancy fees	-	(30)
	(72,437)	(50,297)
<i>Other expenditure</i>		
Depreciation of fixtures and fittings	(565)	(746)
	(565)	(746)

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Age Concern Network of Newcastle & District

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105007

Annual report

Chairman's Annual Report

Welcome to our AGM.

As your Chairman, I am happy to be able to report Age Concern is operating successfully. Membership is continuing to grow. We are nearly back at pre-Covid level, with current membership standing at 221 members.

Age Concern Network is financially sound. We depend on funding which as you all know is harder to secure each year, with many charities competing for the same grants. We are fortunate to have a sum of money in the bank to help deliver Age Concern services.

We have increased our subsidy to support members and help fund and reduce the costs of trips, courses and events.

Last year a decision was made to reduce costs by operating an open-door facility three days per week Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, through which members can access all activities throughout the year.

Valerie McKibben, Administration Manager, works from home on Mondays and Fridays. Members can still avail of advice and assistance with everyday problems and issues via telephone or email on these days. The system is working effectively. Operating costs have been reduced by implementing this system.

Administration Manager, Valerie McKibben, efficiently complies with all the Charity Commission's requirements.

Tight controls on income and expenditure are maintained. Members' queries are effectively dealt with by Valerie.

Membership fees will remain at the current level for 2025 - £8.00 single member and £12.00 per couple. Membership is renewable in January 2025.

The Safe & Well, Fitter Feet and Laundry activities continue to provide an essential service to the local aged community. Fitter Feet is in high demand. We have requested extra services from Fitter Feet, unfortunately they are unable to meet our request.

The Monday Club and the range of classes, outings and holidays offered are aimed at bringing members together to overcome loneliness and isolation.

My thanks to our staff, tutors, volunteers and the team of helpers.

We would also like to thank all local businesses, shopkeepers and anyone who has supported Age Concern. A special vote of thanks to Executive Committee members who spend time and effort keeping Age Concern Network running effectively and efficiently.

Thank-you to the members who have attended and supported today's AGM. On behalf of the Executive Committee, I would like to thank Nicole Toner, KPS Accountants, for coming here today to present the accounts in such a professional manner as required by the Charity Commission.

That concludes my Chairman's report.

Chairman & Treasurer - Mr Reg Bell

Age Concern Network of Newcastle & District

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105007

Annual return

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- 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 includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

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

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District (continued)

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.



Nicole Toner
ACCA
KPS Accountants Limited
50A Main Street
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Co. Down
BT33 0AD

8 October 2024

Age Concern Network of Newcastle & District

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105007

Accounts

Charity registration number: 105007

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

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Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees	Mrs Geraldine Milligan Mr Reg Bell Mrs Joan Devlin Ms Rosemary Mooney Mrs Linda Watson Mr Domnall McComish Mr Michael Smyth Mrs Margaret McVeigh
Charity Registration Number	105007
Principal Office	21 Dundrum Road Newcastle Co. Down BT33 0BG
Independent Examiner	KPS Accountants Limited 50A Main Street Newcastle Co. Down BT33 0AD

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Trustees

Mrs Geraldine Milligan

Mr Reg Bell

Mrs Joan Devlin

Ms Rosemary Mooney

Mrs Linda Watson

Mr Domnall McComish

Mr Michael Smyth

Mrs Margaret McVeigh

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District is a charity established to relieve poverty, to advance education and to promote the preservation and protection of health among older people and to promote the benefit of older people in Newcastle and district.

Objectives, strategies and activities

Our core aims are to help improve the quality of life of older people in the Greater Newcastle are by promoting their physical, emotional and social well being. We have continued to do this through our home visits, laundry service, Thursday club, silver surfers, whist, craft classes, fitter feet, shopping trips, days out and two holidays per year.

We also recruit and train older volunteers to enable them to become involved in the design, development and delivery of services.

Fundraising has continued to play an important role and we have gained funds through our flag day, car boot sale and raffles.

Achievements and performance

The statement of financial activities for the year ended 31st March 2023 shows a surplus of 11,314. Total expenditure was £23,480 of which all was applied directly to the costs of activities in furtherance of the objects of the charity.

The balance sheet shows net assets of £283,791 (2022 £307,271) all unrestricted funds and includes £1,098 represented by the equipment of the charity, which by its nature cannot be applied to the work of the charity without disposing of the assets that these funds represent.

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Trustees' Report (continued)

Financial review

Policy on reserves

Newcastle Network's work is of a long term fixed nature to provide training, information, guidance and support to existing and potential Newcastle Network schemes. A significant percentage of expenditure relates to staffing costs.

Unrestricted reserves are needed:

1. to provide funds to maintain a level of service delivery in the event of unanticipated shortfalls in income;
2. to provide funds which can be designated to projects at short notice in the event of a perceived need;
3. to avoid the necessity of realising fixed assets held for charitable use; and
4. to cover management, administration, fundraising and support costs without which the charity could not function.

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Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a constitution, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The Honorary officers and other members of the Executive Committee shall be chosen from the paid up membership of the network and shall be only eligible for election upon nomination in writing, duly proposed and seconded by members of the Network, and being in the hands of the Secretary at least seven clear days in advance of the relevant Annual General Meeting.

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Trustees' Report (continued)

Organisational structure

Newcastle Network employs an experienced administration officer to oversee the day to operations of the charity.

The committee consists the Honorary Officers, who shall be the Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer and not less than five additional members or more than sixteen.

Relationships with related parties

Age Concern

The Network and its property and affairs are managed by an executive committee. The network and its committees are at all times accountable to and comply with the directions of Northern Ireland Old People's Welfare Council, which carries on its activities under the general title of 'Age Concern'.



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Mr Reg Bell
Trustee

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

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Basis of independent examiner's report

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Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

**Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Age Concern Network of
Newcastle and District (continued)**



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12 October 2023

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2023 £
Income and Endowments from:			
Donations and legacies		2,736	2,736
Charitable activities		41,423	41,423
Investment income	2	<u>18,000</u>	<u>18,000</u>
Total income		<u>62,159</u>	<u>62,159</u>
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities		(50,297)	(50,297)
Other expenditure	3	<u>(746)</u>	<u>(746)</u>
Total expenditure		(51,043)	(51,043)
Gains/losses on investment assets		<u>(34,794)</u>	<u>(34,794)</u>
Net expenditure		<u>(23,678)</u>	<u>(23,678)</u>
Net movement in funds		(23,678)	(23,678)
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		<u>307,271</u>	<u>307,271</u>
Total funds carried forward	9	<u><u>283,593</u></u>	<u><u>283,593</u></u>

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form an integral part of these financial statements.
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Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

(Registration number: 105007)
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	6	998	1,098
Current assets			
Investments	7	260,218	283,964
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>23,991</u>	<u>22,917</u>
		284,209	306,881
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>(1,614)</u>	<u>(708)</u>
Net current assets		<u>282,595</u>	<u>306,173</u>
Net assets		<u>283,593</u>	<u>307,271</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		11,116	(4,712)
Revaluation reserve		(34,794)	5,291
Other reserves		<u>307,271</u>	<u>306,692</u>
Total unrestricted funds		<u>283,593</u>	<u>307,271</u>
Total funds	9	<u>283,593</u>	<u>307,271</u>


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Mr Reg Bell
Trustee

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

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

Income and endowments

Expenditure

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

Government grants

Government grants are recognised based on the accrual model and are measured at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are classified as relating either to revenue or to assets. Grants relating to revenue are recognised in income over the period in which the related costs are recognised. Grants relating to assets are recognised over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred, it is recognised as deferred income.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Fixtures and fittings - 10% on cost

Current asset investments

Current asset investments are included at the lower of cost and net realisable value / market value.

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

Trade creditors

are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Fund structure

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

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

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

Pensions and other post retirement obligations

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Other investment income	18,000	18,000
Total for 2023	18,000	18,000
Total for 2022	14,000	14,000

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

3 Other expenditure

	Note	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Depreciation, amortisation and other similar costs		746	746
Total for 2023		<u>746</u>	<u>746</u>
Total for 2022		<u>694</u>	<u>694</u>

4 Analysis of governance and support costs

Governance costs

		Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Independent examiner fees			
Examination of the financial statements		906	906
Legal fees		30	30
Total for 2023		<u>936</u>	<u>936</u>
Total for 2022		<u>738</u>	<u>738</u>

5 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

Trustees' expenses

During the year there were no expenses reimbursed to committee members.

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

6 Tangible fixed assets

	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2022	23,206	23,206
Additions	646	646
At 31 March 2023	23,852	23,852
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2022	22,108	22,108
Charge for the year	746	746
At 31 March 2023	22,854	22,854
Net book value		
At 31 March 2023	998	998
At 31 March 2022	1,098	1,098

7 Current asset investments

	2023 £	2022 £
Shares in group undertakings and participating interests	260,218	283,964

8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Accruals	1,614	708

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

9 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Other recognised gains/(losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2023 £
Unrestricted funds					
General	<u>307,271</u>	<u>62,159</u>	<u>(51,043)</u>	<u>(34,794)</u>	<u>283,593</u>
	Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Other recognised gains/(losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2022 £
Unrestricted funds					
General	<u>306,692</u>	<u>24,082</u>	<u>(28,794)</u>	<u>5,291</u>	<u>307,271</u>

10 Analysis of net funds

		At 1 April 2022 £	At 31 March 2023 £
Cash at bank and in hand		22,917	22,917
Current asset investments		<u>283,964</u>	<u>283,964</u>
Net debt		<u>306,881</u>	<u>306,881</u>
	At 1 April 2021 £	Financing cash flows £	At 31 March 2022 £
Cash at bank and in hand	27,759	-	27,759
Current asset investments	<u>277,849</u>	<u>(277,849)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net debt	<u>305,608</u>	<u>(277,849)</u>	<u>27,759</u>

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Statement of Financial Activities by fund for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	Total Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Total Unrestricted Funds 2022 £
Income and Endowments from:		
Donations and legacies	2,736	7,417
Charitable activities	41,423	2,665
Investment income	18,000	14,000
Total income	<u>62,159</u>	<u>24,082</u>
Expenditure on:		
Charitable activities	(50,297)	(28,100)
Other expenditure	(746)	(694)
Total expenditure	<u>(51,043)</u>	<u>(28,794)</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	<u>11,116</u>	<u>(4,712)</u>
Reconciliation of funds		
Total funds carried forward	<u>11,116</u>	<u>(4,712)</u>

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Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Income and Endowments from:		
Donations and legacies (analysed below)	2,736	7,417
Charitable activities (analysed below)	41,423	2,665
Investment income (analysed below)	18,000	14,000
Total income	<u>62,159</u>	<u>24,082</u>
Expenditure on:		
Charitable activities (analysed below)	(50,297)	(28,100)
Other expenditure (analysed below)	(746)	(694)
Total expenditure	<u>(51,043)</u>	<u>(28,794)</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	<u>11,116</u>	<u>(4,712)</u>
Reconciliation of funds		
Total funds carried forward	<u>11,116</u>	<u>(4,712)</u>

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<i>Donations and legacies</i>		
Donations and fundraising	1,489	1,235
UK Government grants	-	6,157
Subscriptions	1,247	25
	2,736	7,417
<i>Charitable activities</i>		
Activities	39,685	2,165
Donations	1,738	500
	41,423	2,665
<i>Investment income</i>		
Bank interest received	18,000	14,000
	18,000	14,000
<i>Charitable activities</i>		
Fundraising costs	(150)	-
Purchases	(3,883)	(3,240)
Rent	(6,240)	(6,240)
Travelling	(2,169)	(384)
Travelling	(1)	-
Holidays	(16,685)	-
Bank charges	(314)	(186)
Wages and salaries	(15,072)	(14,168)
Staff pensions	(1,310)	(1,224)
Light, heat and power	(486)	(173)
Insurance	(256)	(252)
Telephone and fax	(988)	(766)
Printing, postage and stationery	(578)	(566)
Sundry expenses	(1,229)	(163)
Independent examiner's fee	(906)	(708)
Consultancy fees	(30)	(30)
	(50,297)	(28,100)
<i>Other expenditure</i>		
Depreciation of fixtures and fittings	(746)	(694)
	(746)	(694)

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Northern Ireland - Charity number 105007

Annual report

AGEING WELL REPORT 2023

THURSDAY CLUB and MONDAY CLUB

The monthly Thursday Club resumed in September 2022 in The Fullerton Hall, Valencia Place. Unfortunately the numbers attending were low and the venue was not as comfortable as Clare Lodge had been. The kitchen facilities made it difficult to produce the level of meals we would have liked to supply. We were advised that Clare Lodge would not be opening in 2023.

The Executive Committee made the decision to change the format.

The Monday Club commenced on the 27th February 2023.

Members meet the last Monday morning of the month at our premises (10.30am – 12.30pm). The group enjoys a morning of craic, bingo and refreshments. Cost £2.00.

This has proved to be a successful alternative to The Thursday Club.

We extend our thanks to the volunteers who make it possible.

LAUNDRY SERVICE

The Laundry service continues to provide a vital lifeline to very ill and incontinent clients and their carers. Every Tuesday morning a rota of volunteers deliver fresh laundry to clients. Soiled packs are returned to the Downe Hospital Laundry Department.

We extend our thanks to the volunteers for their support in making the service successful.

There are currently vacancies for this service. If you know of anyone who may want to avail of this facility please contact the office.

SILVER SURFERS

Silver Surfers is running successfully with members enjoying classes every Wednesday morning. Our tutor Ann O'Hare, helps members with their queries and helps them to gain confidence when using the internet.

FITTER FEET

The "Fitter Feet" service provides a friendly, professional chiropody service. Members can book appointments which are held at our premises at the reduced rate of £25.00. This has proved to be a popular service, members are advised to book in advance to ensure availability of appointments. All treatments are carried out by accredited chiropodists.

DAYS OUT

To allow more members to avail of the trips we are using Rooney International Coaches to provide a 33 seater bus for the trips which have a high level of comfort. This has proved to be successful.

This year members visited The Abbey Centre, Hillsborough Castle, Conway Mill, Rushmere and Marshes Shopping Centres.

A Halloween trip is planned to Fitzpatrick's restaurant for their Spooktacular display and a Christmas shopping trip to The Marshes, Dundalk.

HOLIDAYS

Members have just returned from a very successful holiday to The Central Hotel, Donegal on 17-21 September 2023.

All enjoyed the hotel and the trips. JMG Travel offered its usual excellent service.

The holiday to The Connemara Coast Hotel in Furbo in April 2023 was enjoyable but the hotel was a disappointment in terms of the dining experience. The hotel had been taken over by a new company and was not up to the standard previously experienced.

The next trip is planned for April 2024.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Golf Links House, Newcastle, was the venue for the annual Christmas Party. While numbers were less than pre-covid parties, all enjoyed the excellent christmas fare and the live music provided by Tommy Fitzpatrick. We thank all the staff at The Golf Links House and Tommy Fitzpatrick for donating his time and talent to making it a very enjoyable afternoon. This year's Christmas Party will take place on Monday 4th December 2023.

PAINTING CLASSES

Painting classes continue to prove to be very popular with members enjoying learning new painting skills. Martin McParland continues to encourage and develop members in their efforts. More courses are planned throughout the year.

CRAFT CLASSES

Christmas and Easter Flower-arranging classes took place with Sally McCurry returning to impart her skills and knowledge. These were very enjoyable and members produced some beautiful arrangements. Two classes are planned for December 2023.

SAFE & WELL AT HOME

Age Concern provides a weekly home visit service to local older people. Our home-worker, Bairbre Quinn, provides a practical service such as taking clients shopping, attending appointments, sitting with a relative, or maybe just enjoying a coffee and a chat. The fee is currently £6.00 per hour but will increase to £7.00 per hour in January 2024. There is a small number of spaces available if you know of someone who would be helped by the service.

SWIMMING CLUB

Unfortunately due to high costs we cannot afford to operate a minibus for the Swimming Club.

We had hoped that members could have met and used public transport to attend Downpatrick Swimming Pool, however the new arrangements for the swimming club did not prove successful.

BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARD

The annual "Business of the Year Award" was suspended due to Covid.

We plan to restore the award and will seek votes from members later in the year. The annual award recognises the participation of local businesses in the 10% discount scheme.

Age Concern Network of Newcastle & District

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105007

Annual return

Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Age Concern Network of Newcastle and District for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- 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 includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

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

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement

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.

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**Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Age Concern Network of
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