

Ahorey Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland · Charity number 105028

Details

Known as	Ahorey Presbyterian Church
Status	Received
Registered	2016-08-09
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
2024-12-31	£131,210	£106,575	£0	1

Trustees

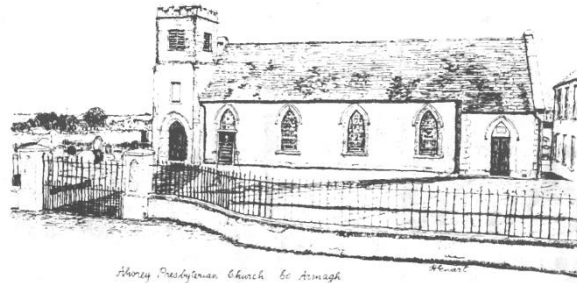
Name	Role	Appointed
Dr Jack Woolsey		
Mr Fred Sandford		
Mr Ian Newell		
Mr Tom McMurray		
Mr Trevor Robinson		
Rev Philip McClelland		

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Accounts

*Ahorey Congregation of
The Presbyterian Church in Ireland*



Registered Charity in Northern Ireland NIC105028

Charity Accounts
for the Year ended 31st December 2024

AHOREY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY (Receipts & Payments Accounts)
for the year ended 31 December 2024.

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds (£)	Restricted Funds (£)	Endowment Funds (£)	Total 2024	Total 2023
Receipts						
Regular Direct Giving	1	63,723	51,150		114,872	120,316
Donations and Legacies	2				0	1,200
Activities that Generate Income	3		2,072		2,072	3,256
Investment Income	4	1,841			1,841	1,154
Other Income Sources	5	533	11,892		12,425	37,509
Total Receipts		66,097	65,113	0	131,210	163,435
Payments						
Central Church Assessments	6	(18,444)			(18,444)	(17,157)
Ministry and Support Staff	7	(27,970)	(1,261)		(29,231)	(28,175)
Life and Work	8	(3,385)	(14,486)		(17,871)	(17,682)
Governance	9	(1,897)	(2,173)		(4,071)	(2,008)
Property and Equipment	10	(7,063)	(3,471)		(10,534)	(11,851)
Grants to Missions and Charities	11		(26,425)		(26,425)	(25,191)
Total Payments		(58,759)	(47,816)	0	(106,575)	(102,063)
ACCOUNTING POLICIES	12					
FUNDS ACTIVITY	13					
FUNDS RECONCILLIATION						
		Unrestricted Funds (£)	Restricted Funds (£)	Endowment Funds (£)	Total 2024	Total 2023
Balances @ 1 January		57,442	134,441	5,000	196,883	135,511
Excess of Receipts over Payments before Transfers		7,338	17,297	0	24,635	61,372
Transfers Between Funds		(6,555)	6,555	0	0	
Balances @ 31 December		58,225	158,293	5,000	221,518	196,883

**AHOREY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS, 31 December 2024.**

	2024	2023
1. Regular Direct Giving	114,872	120,316
Named Giving	89,617	95,539
Reclaimed Tax (GA & GASDS)	17,290	18,707
Cash, £30 or less	7,346	6,020
Cash, greater than £30	619	50
2. Donations and Legacies	0	1,200
Legacies and Bequests	0	579
Donations from Church Organisations	0	100
Donations 'in memory of'	0	474
Wedding Service Donations	0	6
Funeral Service Donations	0	40
3. Activities that Generate Income	2,072	3,256
Bookstall & Magazines	222	66
Graveyard fees	1,850	3,025
Use of facilities	0	165
4. Investment Income	1,841	1,154
Bank and Building Society Interest	1,841	1,154
5. Other Income Sources	12,425	37,509
Grants Received	3,800	4,200
Rental & Wayleaves Income	61	556
Miscellaneous Income	1,743	27,286
Organisation's Outings	0	223
Membership fees	5,180	4,221
BB/GB Annual Display & Prizegiving	710	0
Fundraising events	40	0
D of E Award Scheme	0	168
BB/GB Uniforms	891	156
Social events	0	700
Total of Notes 1-5 (Total Receipts)	131,210	163,435
6. Central Church Assessments	(18,444)	(17,157)
Central Ministry Fund	(1,837)	(1,574)
PCI Pension Scheme	(5,256)	(4,958)
Widows of Ministers Fund	(330)	(322)
Incidental Fund	(1,323)	(1,287)
Prolonged Disability Fund	(257)	(322)
Ministerial Development Fund	(37)	(143)
Sick Supply Fund	(7)	(14)
Assembly Buildings' External Work	(661)	(715)
Students Bursary Fund	(588)	(572)

AHOREY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS, 31 December 2024. (cont'd)

6. Central Church Assessments (cont'd)	2024	2023
Minister's National Insurance	(2,188)	(2,063)
Apprenticeship Levy	(109)	(103)
Ministerial Car Allowance	(2,814)	(2,680)
Ministerial Duties Allowance	(1,876)	(1,787)
ER NIC on Ministerial Allowances	(648)	(617)
Communications Department	(514)	0
7. Ministry and Support Staff	(29,231)	(28,175)
Minister	(21,958)	(22,052)
Other Ministry and Support Staff	(7,274)	(6,123)
8. Life and Work	(17,871)	(17,682)
Worship and Fellowship	(6,111)	(6,217)
Discipleship and Ministry	(1,988)	(1,115)
Mission and Outreach	(9,771)	(10,350)
9. Governance	(4,071)	(2,008)
Independent Examiner/Audit Fees	(110)	(100)
Other Professional Fees	(180)	0
Printing & Stationery	(526)	(330)
Other Sundry Expenses	(1,307)	(230)
Bank Interest and Charges	(41)	(37)
Presbytery Fees	(374)	(420)
Broadband, TV licence; software support	(545)	(517)
Health & Safety, Food Hygiene etc training	(953)	(261)
Postage	(34)	(113)
10. Property and Equipment	(10,534)	(11,851)
Utilities	(2,520)	(2,009)
Property	(5,204)	(8,261)
Insurances	(2,810)	(1,580)
11. Grants to Missions and Charities	(26,425)	(25,191)
United Appeal for Mission	(6,600)	(5,642)
Other PCI Schemes	(6,638)	(3,545)
Other Missions and Charities	(13,187)	(16,004)
Total of Notes 6-11 (Total Payments)	(106,575)	(102,063)

**AHOREY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS, 31 December 2024. (cont'd)**

12. Accounting Policies

Basis of financial statements

As the total income of the congregation is less than £250,000, the congregation has elected, in accordance with the provisions 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 in 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 donations or grants for a specific congregational activity intended by the donor. Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

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

AHOREY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS, 31 December 2024. (cont'd)

13. Funds Activity	Balance at start £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers In £	Transfers Out £	Balance at end £
UNRESTRICED FUNDS	57,442	66,097	58,759	1,000	7,555	58,225
General (2024)	5,442	66,044	58,759	0	7,555	5,172
General Reserve	52,000	53	0	1,000	0	53,053
RESTRICTED FUNDS	134,441	65,113	47,816	42,378	35,823	158,293
Property Funds	111,094	21,882	3,791	38,273	35,273	132,185
Property (2024)	36,853	19,871	2,470	0	35,273	18,981
Property Reserve	63,510	0	0	38,273	0	101,783
Graveyard	9,489	1,950	1,200	0	0	10,239
Land	1,126	61	61	0	0	1,126
Manse	0	0	0	0	0	0
Moses (Mossie) Jeffers Bequest	115	0	60	0	0	55
Organisation Funds	20,556	18,554	14,359	0	550	24,201
Anchorage Youth Club	639	551	462	0	0	727
Boys' Brigade	6,776	8,107	7,588	0	0	7,295
Boys' Brigade (EA)	(1)	0	0	0	0	(1)
Girls' Brigade	7,854	6,038	5,599	0	0	8,293
Girls' Brigade (EA)	1,218	1,800	99	0	0	2,919
Men's Fellowship	48	1,114	0	0	550	612
PW	4,023	944	611	0	0	4,356
Mission & Charity Funds	2,791	24,055	29,374	4,105	0	1,577
Mission & Charity	1,117	13,605	16,636	4,105	0	2,190
PW Missions (PCI)	0	1,810	1,761	0	0	50
Students Bursary (PCI)	0	590	590	0	0	0
United Appeal for Mission (PCI)	0	6,357	6,600	0	0	(243)
World Development Appeal (PCI)	1,674	1,693	3,787	0	0	(420)
Other Restricted Funds	0	622	292	0	0	330
Bookstall & Magazines	0	622	292	0	0	330
ENDOWMENT FUNDS	5,000	0	0	0	0	5,000
TOTAL	196,883	131,210	106,575	43,378	43,378	221,518

END OF NOTES TO ACCOUNTS

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted Funds (£)	Restricted Funds (£)	Endowment Funds (£)	Total Funds 2024(£)	Total Funds 2023(£)
Fund Reconciliation					
Balances @ 1 January	57,442	134,441	5,000	196,883	135,511
Excess of Receipts over Payments before Transfers	7,338	17,297	0	24,635	61,372
Transfers Between Funds	(6,555)	6,555	0	0	0
Balances @ 31 December	58,225	158,293	5,000	221,518	196,883
Tangible Assets @ 31 December					
Bank Deposit Accounts				0	0
Bank Current Accounts				221,289	191,707
Cash and Cheques in Hand				229	5,176
				221,518	196,883
Reclaimable tax under the Gift Aid and Gift Aid Small Donations Schemes				~13,000	~13,000

Fixed Assets @ 31 December 2024

Church Premises at 137, 139 & 141 BT62 3SX including their Church-owned Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment
Circa 6 Acres Agricultural Land Adjoining Church Premises

Approved by the Charity Trustees (Kirk Session) at a meeting on *13th April 2025*

Philip McClelland

Rev Philip W A McClelland (Minister)

, and signed on its behalf by

J. Sandford

J Fred Sandford (Clerk of Kirk Session)

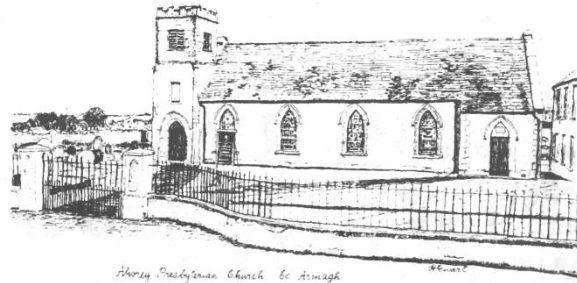
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Charity Accounts
for the Year ending 31st December 2023

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY (Receipts & Payments Accounts)
for the year ended 31 December 2023.**

	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Total
		Funds (£)	Funds (£)	Funds (£)	2023	2022
Receipts						
Regular Direct Giving	1	58,024	62,292		120,316	109,867
Donations and Legacies	2	200	1,000		1,200	500
Activities that Generate Income	3		3,256		3,256	4,518
Investment Income	4	1,134		20	1,154	261
Other Income Sources	5	700	36,809		37,509	14,683
	Total Receipts	60,058	103,357	20	163,435	129,829
Central Church Assessments	6	(17,157)			(17,157)	(16,788)
Ministry and Support Staff	7	(27,059)	(1,116)		(28,175)	(25,707)
Life and Work	8	(3,386)	(14,296)		(17,682)	(19,140)
Governance	9	(1,649)	(358)		(2,008)	(1,232)
Property and Equipment	10	(3,839)	(8,012)		(11,851)	(7,864)
Grants to Missions and Charities	11		(25,191)		(25,191)	(34,020)
	Total Payments	(53,090)	(48,973)	0	(102,063)	(104,750)
ACCOUNTING POLICIES	12					
FUNDS ACTIVITY	13					
FUNDS RECONCILIATION		Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Total
		Funds (£)	Funds (£)	Funds (£)	2023	2022
Balances @ 1 January		59,427	71,084	5,000	135,511	110,432
Excess of Receipts over Payments before Transfers		6,968	54,384	20	61,372	25,079
Transfers Between Funds		(8,953)	8,973	(20)	0	
Balances @ 31 December		57,442	134,441	5,000	196,883	135,511

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS, 31 December 2023.**

	2023	2022
1. Regular Direct Giving	120,316	109,867
Named Giving	95,539	87,771
Reclaimed Tax (GA & GASDS)	18,707	16,892
Cash, £30 or less	6,020	4,555
Cash, greater than £30	50	649
2. Donations and Legacies	1,200	500
Legacies and Bequests	579	0
Donations from Church Organisations	100	0
Donations 'in memory of'	474	400
Wedding Service Donations	6	100
Funeral Service Donations	40	0
3. Activities that Generate Income	3,256	4,518
Bookstall & Magazines	66	593
Graveyard fees	3,025	3,725
Use of facilities	165	200
4. Investment Income	1,154	261
Bank and Building Society Interest	1,154	261
5. Other Income Sources	37,509	14,683
Grants Received	4,200	2,200
Rental & Wayleaves Income	556	550
Miscellaneous Income	27,286	481
Organisation's Outings	223	672
Membership fees	4,221	4,355
Fundraising events	0	2,702
D of E Award Scheme	168	434
BB/GB Uniforms	156	2,241
Social events	700	1,048
Total of Notes 1-5 (Total Receipts)	163,435	129,829
6. Central Church Assessments	(17,157)	(16,788)
Central Ministry Fund	(1,574)	(1,689)
PCI Pension Scheme	(4,958)	(4,677)
Widows of Ministers Fund	(322)	(352)
Incidental Fund	(1,287)	(1,302)
Prolonged Disability Fund	(322)	(281)
Ministerial Development Fund	(143)	(162)
Sick Supply Fund	(14)	(21)

AHOREY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS, 31 December 2023. (cont'd)

6. Central Church Assessments (cont'd)	2023	2022
Assembly Buildings' External Work	(715)	(704)
Students Bursary Fund	(572)	(669)
Minister's National Insurance	(2,063)	(1,959)
Apprenticeship Levy	(103)	(98)
Ministerial Car Allowance	(2,680)	(2,553)
Ministerial Duties Allowance	(1,787)	(1,702)
ER NIC on Ministerial Allowances	(617)	(619)
7. Ministry and Support Staff	(28,175)	(25,707)
Minister	(22,052)	(19,488)
Other Ministry and Support Staff	(6,123)	(6,219)
8. Life and Work	(17,682)	(19,140)
Worship and Fellowship	(6,217)	(5,023)
Discipleship and Ministry	(1,115)	(1,204)
Mission and Outreach	(10,350)	(12,912)
9. Governance	(2,008)	(1,232)
Independent Examiner/Audit Fees	(100)	(100)
Printing & Stationery	(330)	(294)
Other Sundry Expenses	(230)	0
Bank Interest and Charges	(37)	(35)
Presbytery Fees	(420)	(384)
Broadband, TV licence; software support	(517)	(468)
Health & Safety, Food Hygiene, training etc	(261)	161
Advertising	0	(48)
Postage	(113)	(64)
10. Property and Equipment	(11,851)	(7,864)
Utilities	(2,009)	(1,493)
Property	(8,261)	(4,859)
Insurances	(1,580)	(1,512)
11. Grants to Missions and Charities	(25,191)	(34,020)
United Appeal for Mission	(5,642)	(5,482)
Other PCI Schemes	(3,545)	(3,680)
Other Missions and Charities	(16,004)	(24,858)
Total of Notes 6-11 (Total Payments)	(102,063)	(104,750)

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AHOREY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS, 31 December 2023.

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13. Funds Activity	Balance at start £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers In £	Transfers Out £	Balance at end £
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	59,427	60,058	53,090	10,710	19,662	57,442
General (2023)	9,427	59,638	53,034	1,227	11,815	5,442
General Reserve	50,000	420	56	9,483	7,847	52,000
RESTRICTED FUNDS	76,084	103,357	48,973	32,753	23,780	134,441
Property Funds	46,280	66,735	8,730	21,481	14,672	111,094
Property (2023)	1,416	37,870	2,504	1,487	1,416	36,853
Property Reserve	69,817	0	0	6,843	13,151	63,510
Graveyard	10,368	3,025	3,799	0	105	9,489
Land	1,626	556	1,056	0	0	1,126
Manse	(37,064)	25,284	1,371	13,151	0	0
Moses (Mossie) Jeffers Bequest	115	0	0	0	0	115
Organisation Funds	23,388	14,850	14,341	5,712	9,053	20,556
Anchorage Youth Club	420	408	189	0	0	639
Boys' Brigade	10,069	4,926	7,625	4,136	4,733	6,774
Girls' Brigade	7,948	7,404	6,115	1,576	1,741	9,072
Holiday Bible Club	177	0	0	0	177	0
Knitting Group	710	0	0	0	710	0
Men's Fellowship	1	1,370	223	0	1,100	48
PW	3,645	743	190	0	175	4,023
Table Tennis Club	313	0	0	0	313	0
Tuesday Club	104	0	0	0	104	0
Mission & Charity Funds	1,417	21,517	25,291	5,204	56	2,791
United Appeal for Mission (PCI)	0	5,540	5,642	102	0	0
PW Missions (PCI)	0	1,645	1,645	0	0	0
World Development Appeal (PCI)	963	2,111	1,400	0	0	1,674
Child Sponsorship	0	0	56	56	0	0
Other Mission & Charity	454	12,221	16,548	5,046	56	1,117
Other Restricted Funds	0	254	611	357	0	0
Bookstall & Magazines	0	254	606	351	0	0
Stipend	0	0	5	5	0	0
ENDOWMENT FUNDS	5,000	20	0	0	20	5,000
TOTAL	135,511	163,435	102,063	43,462	43,462	196,883

END OF NOTES TO ACCOUNTS

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 December 2023

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Tangible Assets @ 31 December					
Bank Deposit Accounts				0	5,000
Bank Current Accounts				191,707	130,412
Cash and Cheques in Hand				5,176	99
				196,883	135,511
Reclaimable tax under the Gift Aid and Gift Aid Small Donations Schemes				~13,000	~12,000

Fixed Assets @ 31 December 2023

Church Premises at 137, 139 & 141 BT62 3SX including their Church-owned Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment
Circa 6 Acres Agricultural Land Adjoining Church Premises

Approved by the Charity Trustees (Kirk Session) at a meeting on *15th April 2024*, and signed on its behalf by

Philip McClelland

Rev Philip W A McClelland (Minister)

J. F. Sanford

J Fred Sanford (Clerk of Kirk Session)

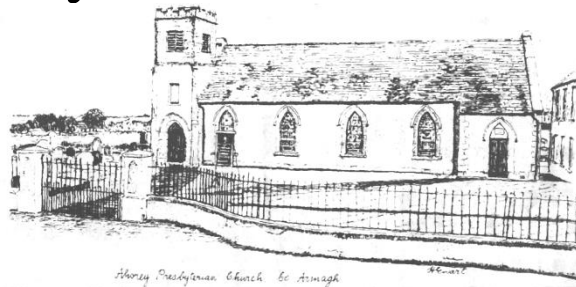
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Northern Ireland - Charity number 105028

Annual report

Ahorey Congregation of The Presbyterian Church in Ireland



Registered Charity in Northern Ireland, (NIC105028)

Trustees Annual Report
for the year ended 31 December 2023

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Trustees Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Ahorey Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland
137/139 Aghory Road, Portadown, CRAIGAVON BT62 3SX
Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105028)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

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

Rev Philip W A McClelland	Trevor D Sandford (died 1 st november 2023)
Thomas (Tom) McMurray	Ian Newell
J Fred Sandford	Trevor D Robinson
John M (Jack) Woolsey	

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Minister	Philip W A McClelland
Clerk of Session	Trevor D Sandford
Congregational Committee Secretary	Trevor D Robinson
Treasurer	John M (Jack) Woolsey

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Iris Megaw BSc MIATI
62 Bishops Green, Banbridge BT62 4QY

MAIN BANKERS

Danske Bank, PO Box 183, Donegal Square West, BELFAST BT1 6JS
Ulster Bank, 20 High Street, Pirtadown, CRAIGAVON BT62 1HU

SOLICITORS

Walker McDonald, 2-6 Edward Street, Portadown BT62 3LX

AHOREY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
Trustees Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023 (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 task of managing the temporal affairs of the congregation including administering all funds and property belonging to the congregation. Members of the Kirk Session are ex-officio members of the Congregational Committee.

The Kirk Session consists of the ordained minister and the ruling elders of the congregations. All members are entitled to propose, speak and exercise equal votes at meetings, except that the Moderator, the 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 four times in each year.

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. Ahorey congregation of the Presbyterian Church has been assigned to the Armagh 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.

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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 an elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation.

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE

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

Ahorey 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 is to magnify Christ by making disciples in Ahorey and beyond. As far as our vision is concerned, we long to see Christ praised in our area and world as our covenant community overflows with disciple-making disciples of all ages who, equipped by the exposition and example of godly leaders, gather to edify each other and scatter to evangelise those outside, through the prayerful speaking of the word of God.

As a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, we believe that the Bible is the supreme authority over all we do, and that the Westminster Confession of Faith, along with the Larger and Shorter Catechisms set out what we understand the Bible teaches on key matters of Christian faith and practice.

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 is open to all who love the Lord Jesus Christ. All those who have been baptised and who have made a credible profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are admitted to communicant membership of the congregation. Regular bible study/prayer meetings are held, and the congregation has a wide range of organisations including

- Sunday School Sunday Crèche Teenagers Bible Classes
- Presbyterian Women Boys' Brigade Girls' Brigade
- Anchorage Youth Club Men's Fellowship

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

Worship, Bible Study & Prayer meetings – Sunday at 10.30am, and at 6.30pm on the fourth Sunday (September to June); the weeknight Bible/Prayer Meeting provided an opportunity for members to meet together for fellowship, study the scriptures and pray for local, national and international issues/concerns.

As well as our regular services during the year we acknowledged God's gift of new life at 3 Sacraments of Baptism, we conducted 1 marriage service, and sought to comfort those who had been bereaved during the year.

On 31 December 2023 there were 100 communicant members and ~138 families connected with the congregation, giving a total of ~363 communicant members and adherents. The normal average attendance at Sunday morning worship during the year was ~100.

Pastoral care

Members of the congregation who were unable to attend church due to sickness or age were visited on a regular basis by the minister, elders or by one of the congregation's pastoral visitors.

Mission and outreach

At a local level the congregation's main mission & outreach was through its Boys' Brigade and Girls' Brigade companies, with memberships of ~85 and ~90 respectively.

The congregation supported the United Appeal for Mission, a central fund of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. This fund enables congregations to support the wider mission of the denomination and to facilitate 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 also contributed to the denomination's annual World Development Appeal.

Donations to all external missions, agencies and charities amounted to ~£25,000..

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Presbytery

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

General Assembly

The minister and one of our elders were nominated to attend the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland held in Assembly Buildings, Belfast, in June 2023.

Property

No major property projects were initiated in 2023.

Organisations

The 181st NI (Ahorey) Girls' Brigade Company had an enrolment of ~90 girls aged 3-17, and ~20 leaders. As a Christian organisation, girls are encouraged to live out the GB motto – Seek, Serve and Follow Christ.

The 1st Ahorey Company of the Boys' Brigade had ~16 leaders and an enrolment of ~85 boys aged 4-18. The BB object is "The advancement of Christ's kingdom amongst Boys, and the promotion of habits of Obedience, Reverence, Discipline, Self-respect and all that tends towards a true Christian manliness"..

Sunday School, for children of Nursery and Primary School met for ~25 minutes during morning worship and then retired to the church hall for further bible-based instruction/activities using Go Teach resources. Enrolment was 21, with attendance averaging ~15 children each week.

The Crèche catered for ~7 babies and toddlers.

The Bible Class had an enrolment of ~10 and met at 9-30am on Sunday mornings ('breakfast setting').

The Presbyterian Women's (PW) group, met most months and involved local and visiting speakers on topics related to the PW Theme. Members raised £1,645 for PW Missions. Membership was ~30.

The Men's Fellowship met ~4 times during the year and attracted 20-30 men who enjoyed sharing fellowship with one another. All meetings have a Christian atmosphere.

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Volunteers

The Trustees wish to acknowledge their deep appreciation of those (50+) who give freely of their time by serving on committees, helping with organisations and other church activities.

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 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 with whom the Presbyterian Church in Ireland is in direct and indirect contact, the community in which pastoral services are provided, and other communities throughout Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, and worldwide, all of which benefit from our engagement with and support for both Christian and secular organisations, charities and individual members of the public.

The Trustees had regard to the Charity Commission's Public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

The congregation's main source of income is members' contributions through our Named Giving schemes – offering envelopes and/or bank standing orders. There were 115 such contributors during the year (127 in 2022).

Total income of the congregation during the year was £163.4k (£129.8k in 2022). Total expenditure was £102.1k (£104.7k in 2022). Tax recovered under the Gift Aid and Gift Aid Small Donations Schemes was £18.7k (£16.9k in 2022).

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' 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 (~£163.4k), 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. The Congregational Committee (delegated by the Kirk Session to manage the temporal affairs of the congregation) intermittently checks the church treasurer's accounting records and associated audit trails to organisations' internal records in order to ensure that the accounts are managed at the highest levels of probity.

Approved by the Kirk Session (the Charity Trustees) at its meeting on 30th May 2024,
and signed on its behalf by:



Rev Philip W A McClelland (Minister)



Trevor D Robinson (Church Secretary)

Ahorey Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105028

Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of the Ahorey Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland.

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

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

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 report to the charity trustees of the
Ahorey Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland (cont'd).**

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.

Signed: *S. Megaw*

Iris Megaw BSc MIATI
62 Bishops Green, Banbridge BT32 4QY
Relevant professional qualification or body:
Member of Accounting Technicians Ireland

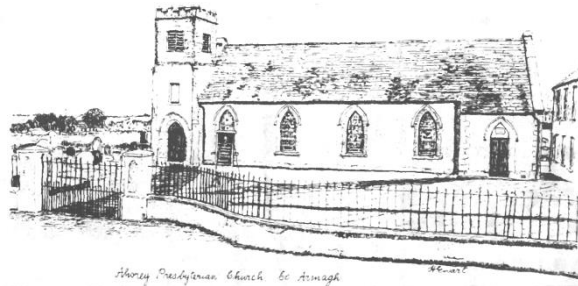
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Ahorey Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

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Accounts

*Ahorey Congregation of
The Presbyterian Church in Ireland*



Registered Charity in Northern Ireland NIC105028

Charity Accounts
for the Year ending 31st December 2022

AHOREY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY (Receipts & Payments Accounts)
for the year ended 31 December 2022.

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds (£)	Restricted Funds (£)	Endowment Funds (£)	Total 2022	Total 2021
RECEIPTS						
Regular Direct Giving	1	58,739	51,128		109,867	89,432
Donations and Legacies	2	100	400		500	3,935
Activities that Generate Income	3	200	4,318		4,518	6,144
Investment Income	4	261			261	284
Other Income Sources	5		14,683		14,683	4,900
Total Receipts		59,299	70,529	0	129,829	104,694
PAYMENTS						
Central Church Assessments	6	(16,788)			(16,788)	(17,031)
Ministry and Support Staff	7	(25,707)			(25,707)	(25,406)
Life and Work	8	(1,820)	(17,320)		(19,140)	(7,359)
Governance	9	(1,096)	(135)		(1,232)	(2,343)
Property and Equipment	10	(3,471)	(4,393)		(7,864)	(19,460)
Grants to Missions and Charities	11	(20)	(34,000)		(34,020)	(16,548)
Total Payments		(48,902)	(55,848)	0	(104,750)	(88,147)
ACCOUNTING POLICIES	12					
FUNDS ACTIVITY	13					
FUNDS RECONCILIATION						
		Unrestricted Funds (£)	Restricted Funds (£)	Endowment Funds (£)	Total 2022	Total 2021
Brought Forward @ 1 January		94,105	11,326	5,000	110,432	93,885
Net Receipts		10,397	14,682		25,079	16,547
Net Transfers Between Funds		(45,075)	45,075		0	
Carried Forward @ 31 December		59,427	71,084	5,000	135,511	110,432

AHOREY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS, 31 December 2022.

	2022	2021
1. Regular Direct Giving	109,867	89,432
Named Giving	87,736	74,084
Reclaimed Tax (GA & GASDS)	16,892	14,026
Cash, £30 or less	4,590	1,108
Cash, greater than £30	649	215
2. Donations and Legacies	500	3,935
Legacies and Bequests	0	1,835
Donations 'in memory of'	400	950
Wedding Service Donations	100	150
Funeral Service Donations	0	1,000
3. Activities that Generate Income	4,518	6,144
Bookstall & Magazines	593	619
Graveyard fees	3,725	5,525
Use of facilities	200	0
4. Investment Income	261	284
Bank and Building Society Interest	261	284
5. Other Income Sources	14,683	4,900
Grants Received	2,200	2,400
Rental & Wayleaves Income	550	449
Miscellaneous Income	481	42
Organisation's Outings	672	0
Membership fees	4,355	1,445
Fundraising events	2,702	495
D of E Award Scheme	434	22
BB/GB Uniforms	2,241	0
Social events	1,048	47
Total of Notes 1-5 (Total Receipts)	129,829	104,694
6. Central Church Assessments	(16,788)	(17,031)
Central Ministry Fund	(1,689)	(2,044)
PCI Pension Scheme	(4,677)	(4,531)
Widows of Ministers Fund	(352)	(468)
Incidental Fund	(1,302)	(1,576)
Prolonged Disability Fund	(281)	(341)
Ministerial Development Fund	(162)	(222)
Sick Supply Fund	(21)	(34)

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6. Central Church Assessments (cont'd)	2022	2021
Assembly Buildings' External Work	(704)	(895)
Students Bursary Fund	(669)	(298)
Minister's National Insurance	(1,959)	(1,793)
Apprenticeship Levy	(98)	(94)
Ministerial Car Allowance	(2,553)	(2,497)
Ministerial Duties Allowance	(1,702)	(1,665)
ER NIC on Ministerial Allowances	(619)	(574)
7. Ministry and Support Staff	(25,707)	(25,406)
Minister	(19,488)	(19,888)
Other Ministry and Support Staff	(6,219)	(5,518)
8. Life and Work	(19,140)	(7,359)
Worship and Fellowship	(5,023)	(1,373)
Discipleship and Ministry	(1,204)	(1,229)
Mission and Outreach	(12,912)	(4,757)
9. Governance	(1,232)	(2,343)
Independent Examiner/Audit Fees	(100)	(50)
Printing & Stationery	(294)	(864)
Other Sundry Expenses	0	(1)
Bank Interest and Charges	(35)	(17)
Presbytery Fees	(384)	(380)
Broadband, TV licence; software support	(468)	(342)
Health & Safety, Food Hygiene etc training	161	(626)
Advertising	(48)	0
Postage	(64)	(64)
10. Property and Equipment	(7,864)	(19,460)
Utilities	(1,493)	(2,111)
Property	(4,859)	(15,941)
Insurances	(1,512)	(1,408)
11. Grants to Missions and Charities	(34,020)	(16,548)
United Appeal for Mission	(5,482)	(5,770)
Other PCI Schemes	(3,680)	(3,212)
Other Missions and Charities	(24,858)	(7,566)
Total of Notes 6-11 (Total Payments)	(104,750)	(88,147)

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12. Accounting Policies

Basis of financial statements

As the total income of the congregation is less than £250,000, the congregation has elected, in accordance with the provisions 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 in 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 donations or grants for a specific congregational activity intended by the donor. Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

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

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13. Funds Activity	Balance at start £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers In £	Transfers Out £	Balance at end £
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	94,105	59,299	48,902	3,626	48,702	59,427
General (2022)	3,226	59,299	48,902	400	4,597	9,427
General Reserve	90,879	0	0	3,226	44,105	50,000
RESTRICTED FUNDS	11,326	70,529	55,848	55,604	10,529	71,084
Property Funds	(15,913)	22,519	4,353	51,994	7,968	46,280
Property (2022)	(7,888)	1,855	439	7,888	0	1,416
Property Reserve	33,650	0	50	44,105	7,888	69,817
Graveyard	8,264	4,250	2,066	0	80	10,368
Land	1,110	550	34	0	0	1,626
Manse	(52,134)	15,864	793	0	0	(37,064)
Moses (Mossie) Jeffers Bequest	1,085	0	970	0	0	115
Organisation Funds	21,622	19,869	17,318	0	786	23,388
Anchorage Youth Club	475	478	533	0	0	420
Boys' Brigade	10,949	7,950	4,652	0	46	14,202
Boys' Brigade (EA)	(2,212)	0	1,920	0	0	(4,133)
Girls' Brigade	7,253	5,989	3,754	0	0	9,488
Girls' Brigade (EA)	838	2,200	4,179	0	400	(1,541)
Holiday Bible Club	177	0	0	0	0	177
Knitting Group	710	0	0	0	0	710
Men's Fellowship	27	1,852	1,538	0	340	1
PW	2,987	1,400	742	0	0	3,645
Table Tennis Club	313	0	0	0	0	313
Tuesday Club	104	0	0	0	0	104
Mission & Charity Funds	5,743	27,549	33,473	3,373	1,775	1,417
United Appeal for Mission (PCI)	49	5,365	5,482	68	0	0
Moderator's Appeals (PCI)	160	0	160	0	0	0
PW Missions (PCI)	0	1,890	2,140	250	0	0
Ukraine Help (EMF)	0	7,904	8,864	960	0	0
World Development Appeal (PCI)	620	1,223	880	0	0	963
Child Sponsorship	0	229	794	565	0	0
Other Mission & Charity	4,913	10,938	15,153	1,530	1,775	454
Other restricted Funds	(126)	592	704	238	0	0
Bookstall & Magazines	(126)	592	704	238	0	0
ENDOWMENT FUNDS	5,000	0	0	0	0	5,000
TOTAL	110,432	129,829	104,750	59,231	59,231	135,511

END OF NOTES TO ACCOUNTS

**AHOREY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES as at 31st December 2022**

Fund Reconciliation	Unrestricted Funds (£)	Restricted Funds (£)	Endowment Funds (£)	Total Funds 2022 (£)	Total Funds 2021 (£)
Balances @ 1 January	94,105	11,326	5,000	110,432	93,885
Net movement	(34,678)	59,757	0	25,079	16,547
Balances @ 31 December	59,427	71,084	5,000	135,511	110,432
 Tangible Assets @ 31 December					
Bank Deposit Accounts				5,000	5,000
Bank Current Accounts				130,412	104,966
Cash and Cheques in Hand				99	466
				135,511	110,432
Reclaimable tax under the Gift Aid and Gift Aid Small Donations Schemes				~11,000	~12,000

Fixed Assets @ 31 December 2022

Church Premises at 137, 139 & 141 BT62 3SX including their Church-owned Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment
Circa 6 Acres Agricultural Land Adjoining Church Premises

Approved by the Charity Trustees (Kirk Session) at a meeting on 13th February 2023, and signed on its behalf by

Philip McClelland

Rev Philip W A McClelland (Minister)

Trevor Sandford

Trevor D Sandford (Clerk of Kirk Session)

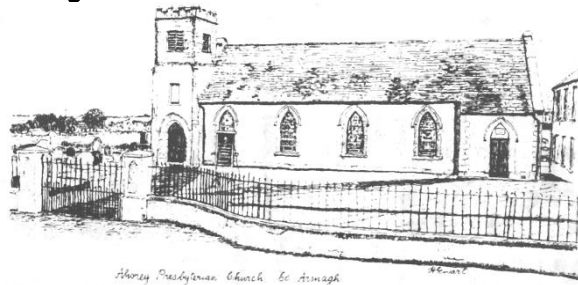
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Ahorey Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105028

Annual report

Ahorey Congregation of The Presbyterian Church in Ireland



Registered Charity in Northern Ireland, (NIC105028)

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Ahorey Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland
137/139 Aghory Road, Portadown, CRAIGAVON BT62 3SX
Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105028)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

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

Rev Philip W A McClelland	Trevor D Sandford
Thomas (Tom) McMurray	J Fred Sandford
Trevor D Robinson	John M (Jack) Woolsey

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Minister	Philip W A McClelland
Clerk of Session	Trevor D Sandford
Congregational Committee Secretary	Trevor D Robinson
Treasurer	John M (Jack) Woolsey

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Iris Megaw BSc MIATI
20 The Fairways, Portadown BT62 3FR

MAIN BANKERS

Danske Bank, PO Box 183, Donegal Square West, BELFAST BT1 6JS
Ulster Bank, 20 High Street, Portadown, CRAIGAVON BT62 1HU

SOLICITORS

Walker McDonald, 2-6 Edward Street, Portadown BT62 3LX

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STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

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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 an elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation.

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE

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

Ahorey 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 is to magnify Christ by making disciples in Ahorey and beyond. As far as our vision is concerned, we long to see Christ praised in our area and world as our covenant community overflows with disciple-making disciples of all ages who, equipped by the exposition and example of godly leaders, gather to edify each other and scatter to evangelise those outside, through the prayerful speaking of the word of God.

As a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, we believe that the Bible is the supreme authority over all we do, and that the Westminster Confession of Faith, along with the Larger and Shorter Catechisms set out what we understand the Bible teaches on key matters of Christian faith and practice.

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 is open to all who love the Lord Jesus Christ. All those who have been baptised and who have made a credible profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are admitted to communicant membership of the congregation. Regular bible study/prayer meetings are held, and the congregation has a wide range of organisations including

- Sunday School Sunday Crèche Teenagers Bible Classes
- Presbyterian Women Boys' Brigade Girls' Brigade
- Anchorage Youth Club Men's Fellowship

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

As Covid-19 restrictions have eased, the congregation has made a return to normal Worship, Bible Study & Prayer meetings – Sunday at 10.30am, and at 6.30pm on the fourth Sunday (September to June); the weeknight Bible/Prayer Meeting provided an opportunity for members to meet together for fellowship, study the scriptures and pray for local, national and international issues/concerns.

As well as our regular services during the year we acknowledged God's gift of new life at 1 Sacrament of Baptism, we conducted 3 marriage services, and sought to comfort those who had been bereaved during the year.

On 31 December 2022 there were 112 communicant members and ~145 families connected with the congregation, giving a total of ~365 communicant members and adherents. The normal average attendance at Sunday morning worship during the year was ~100.

Pastoral care

Members of the congregation who were unable to attend church due to sickness or age were visited on a regular basis by the minister, elders or by one of the congregation's pastoral visitors.

Mission and outreach

At a local level the congregation's main mission & outreach was through its Boys' Brigade and Girls' Brigade companies, with memberships of ~85 and ~110 respectively.

The congregation supported the United Appeal for Mission, a central fund of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. This fund enables congregations to support the wider mission of the denomination and to facilitate 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 also contributed to the denomination's annual World Development Appeal.

Donations to all external missions, agencies and charities amounted to ~£33,000..

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Presbytery

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

General Assembly

The minister and one of our elders were nominated to attend the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland held in Assembly Buildings, Belfast, in June 2022.

Property

No major property projects were initiated in 2022.

Organisations

The 181st NI (Ahorey) Girls' Brigade Company had an enrolment of ~110 girls aged 3-17, and ~20 leaders. As a Christian organisation, girls are encouraged to live out the GB motto – Seek, Serve and Follow Christ.

The 1st Ahorey Company of the Boys' Brigade had ~15 leaders and an enrolment of ~85 boys aged 4-18. The BB object is “The advancement of Christ’s kingdom amongst Boys, and the promotion of habits of Obedience, Reverence, Discipline, Self-respect and all that tends towards a true Christian manliness”..

Sunday School, for children of Nursery and Primary School met for ~20 minutes during morning worship and then retired to the church hall for further bible-based instruction/activities using Go Teach resources. Attendances averaged ~15 children each week.

The Crèche and catered for ~5 babies and toddlers.

The Bible Class (Years 8-10) usually met at 9-30am on Sunday mornings ('breakfast setting').

Engage (Years 11-14) usually met twice a month (after evening worship).

The Presbyterian Women's (PW) group, met most months and involved local and visiting speakers on topics related to the PW Theme. Members raised £2,140 for PW Missions. Membership was ~30.

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Volunteers

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

Covid-19

The Trustees monitored any Covid-19 documents from nirect and the Presbyterian Church in Ireland and are pleased that activities have largely returned to normal.

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 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 with whom the Presbyterian Church in Ireland is in direct and indirect contact, the community in which pastoral services are provided, and other communities throughout Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, and worldwide, all of which benefit from our engagement with and support for both Christian and secular organisations, charities and individual members of the public.

The Trustees had regard to the Charity Commission's Public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

The congregation's main source of income is members' contributions through our Named Giving schemes – offering envelopes and/or bank standing orders. There were 127 such contributors during the year (108 in 2021).

Total income of the congregation during the year was £129.8k (£104.7k in 2021). Total expenditure was £104.7k (£88.1k in 2021). Tax recovered under the Gift Aid and Gift Aid Small Donations Schemes was £16.9k (£14.0k in 2021).

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' 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.

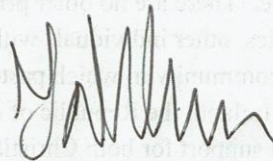
As the congregation's total income (~£129.8k), does not exceed £250,000, the Trustees have elected under Section 64(3) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 to prepare a receipts and payment account and a statement of assets and liabilities.

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. The Congregational Committee (delegated by the Kirk Session to manage the temporal affairs of the congregation) intermittently checks the church treasurer's accounting records and associated audit trails to organisations' internal records in order to ensure that the accounts are managed at the highest levels of probity.

Approved by the Kirk Session (The Charity Trustees) at its meeting on *19 June 2023*,
and signed on its behalf by:



Rev Philip W A McClelland (Minister)



Trevor D Robinson (Church Secretary)

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Annual return

**Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of the
Ahorey Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland.**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st December 2022.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

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.

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Ahorey Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland (cont'd).**

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.

Signed: *SAMegaw.*

Iris Megaw BSc MIATI
20 the Fairways, Portadown BT62 3FR

Relevant professional qualification or body:
Member of Accounting Technicians Ireland

Date: *20/11/23.*

