

Moira Congregation of the presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland · Charity number 105174

Details

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	£286,328	£286,308	£-183,797	3

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Benny Lyness		
Ian Watson		
Jackson Blakely		
James Logan		
Mr Allen Gamble		
Mr Andrew Preston		
Mr Matthew Blain		
Rev Jamie Maguire		
Richard Brown		
Robert McCleary		
Sam Brockbank		
Stuart McIlwaine		
Thomas McGeown		
Wilfred Dunlop		

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Accounts

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

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

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

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 including a Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at that date.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Moira Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland
18 Meeting Street
Moira
BT67 0NR

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105174)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

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

Ian Watson	Richard Brown
Benny Lyness	Roy McCleary
Thomas McGeown	Wilfred Dunlop
Sam Brockbank	Jackson Blakely
Dr Harold Rice	Alan Gamble
James Logan	Andrew Preston
Matthew Blain	Stuart McIlwaine
	Rev D Howard Gilpin

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Minister	Rev D Howard Gilpin (Retired 30 th Sept 2024)
Clerk of Session	Richard Brown
Treasurer	Aninka Moucka/Ivan Barnett

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

R T J Ross & Co
44 Molesworth Street
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BT80 8PA

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BANKERS

Danske Bank
Main Street
Lurgan

SOLICITORS

Mr John Neill
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43 Main Street
Moira
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STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

The Kirk Session

The charity trustees of the congregation are the members of its Kirk Session. Under the congregation's governing document, The Code, the book of the constitution and government of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Kirk Session seeks to watch over and promote the spiritual interest of the congregation and of persons not connected with any congregation who are within its bounds. It ensures pastoral care is in place in the congregation and seeks to further the contribution of the Church to Christian witness and service in the local community. The Kirk Session has delegated to its Congregational Committee the temporal affairs of the congregation including administering all funds and property belonging to the congregation. Members of the Kirk Session are ex-officio members of the Congregational Committee.

The Kirk Session consists of the ordained minister and the ruling elders of the congregation. In March 2023 we welcomed a further 4 elders on to Session after an election in 2022. 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 five times during the 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. Moira Presbyterian Church has been assigned to the Dromore Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The membership of the Presbytery consists mainly of the active ministers of congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly, ministers who have retired from active duty and an elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation

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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, administrative and judicial authority, in dealing with all matters brought before it. The General Assembly is normally constituted during the first week in June for worship and to conduct its business. At the end of business it is dissolved. The membership of the General Assembly consists mainly of the active ministers of each congregation, retired ministers and a representative elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation.

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE

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

Moira Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The Presbyterian Church in Ireland, as a Reformed Church within the wider body of Christ, is grounded in the Scriptures and exists to love and honour God through faith in His Son and by the power of His Spirit, and to enable her members to play their part in fulfilling God's mission to our world.

The congregation's mission purpose is to seek to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ by word and by action. We believe in the importance of preaching what is biblical, relevant and applicable to living in the 21st century. We believe in the vital importance of individual and corporate prayer in the life of our congregation. We believe in the importance of evangelism as Jesus commands us to 'go and make disciples of all nations' and to 'be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth' (Acts 1 v 8). Together we aim to obey Jesus' call to local and international mission. We believe in the importance of being a warm and welcoming Christian community, promoting fellowship between people of all ages. We believe in the importance of praise that is God centered and biblical and believe that singing praise to God is a witness in itself (Acts 16 v 25). It is also a means of spiritual encouragement (Colossians 3 v 16).

As a multi-generational denomination, we believe there is a place for all generations in our Church family. We recognise the importance of welcoming all families to our congregation and will seek to identify and support family needs and integration into Church life. We will achieve this by means of organised activities, events, Church services and provide opportunities to share ideas that help shape the future of our Church.

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We believe in providing sensitive and loving pastoral care (1 Thessalonians 2 v 7-8) for all those not only within the congregation but any who venture into our building and who express a need for such care.

We desire to be Christ centred and people orientated in our approach and we will offer Christian compassion and grace to all those who come under our care.

We believe it is important to recognise that our Church is a living, spiritual organisation that needs to be managed through a structure of different roles, policies, procedures and systems to achieve God's purpose for His Church in Moira. It is important that leaders take responsibility for the spiritual and temporal governance of Church activities in accordance with Christian principles and legal obligations.

ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

The congregation meets for worship every Sunday and visitors are welcome to join. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is observed on several occasions during the year and all those who have been baptised and who have made a profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are admitted to the Lord's Supper. The congregation holds regular bible study meetings and has a wide range of organisations including:

- Sunday School
- Boys' Brigade
- Girls' Brigade
- Badminton Club
- Bowling Club
- Friday Morning Prayer Group
- Bible Study, Prayer & Small Groups
- Crochet Club
- Presbyterian Women
- Choir & Praise Group
- Men's Fellowship
- Youth Fellowship
- Young at Heart Senior Citizens
- Cycle Group
- Tuesday Morning Fellowship
- Monday over 70 Fellowship group
- Reminiscing hymn singing for dementia sufferers and their carers

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

The congregation normally meets for worship each Sunday at 11.00am and monthly at 6.30pm. During the week the Bible Study provides an opportunity for members to meet together for fellowship, to study the scriptures and for a time of prayer. In addition, a small group meets on a Friday morning for prayer.

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

At 31 December 2024 there were 225 communicant members and 298 families connected with the congregations. The average weekly attendance at morning worship was in the range 175 – 200.

Pastoral care

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

Mission and outreach

At a local level the congregation wants to reach people in Moira for God, to tell them about God's love for everyone and the good news of the gospel. We plan to discover what the people in our community today need most and how we can demonstrate God's answer to these needs in real, practical ways. We are using the Umoja process for church and community mobilisation as an additional tool to help us reach the community in Moira. Internationally, we will continue to support Presbyterian missionaries and other mission organisations such as Tear Fund and Christian Aid and Kids4School.

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

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college for ministry students, and financially supports congregations in the areas of worship, discipleship, global mission, outreach, leadership and pastoral care.

Presbytery

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

General Assembly

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

Organisations

- ❖ On Sunday mornings during the main Church service the Sunday School meets in our church halls comprising of approximately 30 children and young people.
- ❖ On Monday evenings the Boys' Brigade meets in the church halls. This comprises of approximately 45 boys and teenagers.
- ❖ On Wednesday evening the Bowling Club meets in the church halls comprising of approximately 20 members.
- ❖ On Wednesday evening the Bible Study & Prayer Fellowship meets in the upper room in the new church building comprising approximately 40 members.
- ❖ On Thursday evening the Girls' Brigade meets in the church halls comprising approximately 60 members.
- ❖ Moira Presbyterian Women (PW) meets on the third Tuesday of each month in the upper room. The PW is led by a group leader and a committee of eight who are elected annually by the members. There are approximately 30 to 40 ladies in attendance at each meeting.

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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 and 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 through the care of those in need (including the sick, disabled and bereaved).

Generally the above benefits are delivered locally by congregations and their members, or are facilitated through presbyteries or are organised and delivered centrally. Local delivery is facilitated by central resources in almost all cases. Public access is made known through the use of noticeboards, printed material, press advertisements, websites, and social media or in other ways.

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The benefits are demonstrated through regular evaluation of the services and informal and ad-hoc feedback from members, their families, and members of the public.

The purpose does not lead to harm. The only private benefit flowing from our purpose is related to Ministers, Missionaries, Deaconesses, Irish Mission workers and Lay Agents who receive benefits as a result of their holding office or employment. However, this is incidental and necessary in order to further our charitable purpose. There are no other private benefits. The beneficiaries of this purpose are members, their families, other individuals that the Presbyterian Church in Ireland is in direct and indirect contact with, the community in which pastoral services are provided and other communities throughout Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, and worldwide which benefit from our engagement with and support for both Christian and other secular organisations, charities and individual members of the public.

The Kirk Session has had regard to the Charity Commission's Public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The congregation's main source of income is members' contributions through the Weekly Freewill Offering. There were 254 contributors during the year [212 in previous year, 2023] donating a total of £111,109 (£111,849 in previous year, 2023)

Total Income of the congregation during the year was £286,328, compared to £283,348 in the previous year.

Total expenditure increased from £242,598 to £286,308

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

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

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

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

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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.

GOING CONCERN

The activities of the congregation are dependent on ongoing contributions from its members. The trustees are of the opinion that the congregation has sufficient resources at the date of approval of these financial statements to meet commitments which will arise in the year from the date of signing this report and subject to the continuing support from members to be able to fund on an ongoing basis the congregation's current activities and other financial commitments.

RESERVES POLICY

The trustees have considered the level of unrestricted net current assets that it is appropriate to hold, taking account of current and on-going commitments. It is the policy of the trustees to hold at least four month's unrestricted expenditure. At the year end net current assets (excluding loan amounts) were £136,504 which represents a higher level of reserves than the four months amount of £70,099. The trustees consider it prudent to maintain the net current assets to a level equivalent to or above four month's unrestricted expenditure.

RISK REVIEW

A review of major risks has been undertaken by the trustees and systems and procedures implemented to manage identified risks. The principal risks are in relation to the likelihood of reputational damage and financial risks associated with the expectation of ongoing financial support from members. These risks are mitigated by the trustees and the congregational committee, regularly monitoring the various activities of the congregation at stated meetings and by encouraging members in their regular giving.

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 22nd June 2025 and signed on its behalf by

Rev. Dr. M. Cowan
22nd June 2025

Mr Richard Brown
22nd June 2025

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

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2024 which are set out on pages 13 to 30.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. You are satisfied that your charity is not required by charity law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

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 Charity Commission for Northern Ireland 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. The 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:

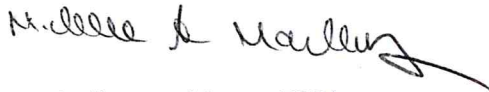
1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act and with the methods and principles of the Charities Statement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

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF MOIRA CONGREGATION OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND (cont'd)**

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants which is one of the listed bodies.

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.



Michelle Mawhinney FCCA
R T J Ross & Co
Chartered Accountants
44 Molesworth Street
Cookstown
Co Tyrone
BT80 8PA

22nd June 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY

for the year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
		€	€	€	€	€
Income and Endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	2	137,900	93,193	-	231,093	224,652
Charitable activities	3	-	11,002	-	11,002	15,856
Investments	4	2,192	14,093	-	16,285	19,926
Other	5	6,328	21,620	-	27,948	22,914
Total		146,420	139,908	-	286,328	283,348
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	6	1,229	226	-	1,455	1,975
Charitable activities	7	145,396	75,784	-	221,180	172,019
Other	8	63,673	-	-	63,673	68,604
Total		210,298	76,010	-	286,308	242,598
Net gains/(losses) on investments		-	-	-	-	-
Net Income / (expenditure)		(63,878)	63,898	-	20	40,750
Transfers between funds		65,273	-65,273	-	-	-
Gains/(losses on revaluation of fixed assets)		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		1,395	-1375	-	20	40,750
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward		2,279,379	63,303	-	2,342,682	2,301,932
Total funds carried forward		2,280,774	61,928	-	2,342,702	2,342,682

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BALANCE SHEET
As at 31 December 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Fixed assets:						
Tangible assets	11	2,116,227			2,116,227	2,163,177
Heritage assets						
Investments	12	210,000			210,000	210,000
Total fixed assets		2,326,227			2,326,227	2,373,177
Current assets						
Debtors	13	11,430	4,863		16,293	16,470
Current Investments						
Cash at bank and in hand	14	126,914	57,065		183,979	184,829
Total current assets		138,344	61,928		200,272	201,299
Liabilities:						
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	15	46,386	-		46,386	47,154
Net current assets or liabilities		91,958	61,928		153,886	154,145
Total assets less current liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	16	137,411			137,411	184,640
Total net assets or liabilities		2,280,774	61,928		2,342,702	2,342,682

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BALANCE SHEET
As at 31 December 2024

	Note	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Funds of the charity			
Restricted income funds	17	61,928	63,303
Unrestricted funds	17	2,280,774	2,279,379
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Total charity funds		2,342,702	2,342,682
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Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 22nd June 2025 and signed on its behalf by



Rev. Dr. M Cowan



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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

31 December 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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

FUND ACCOUNTING

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

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

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

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
31 December 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES(cont'd)

INCOMING RESOURCES

(i) Recognition of incoming resources

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

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

(ii) Incoming resources with related expenditure

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

(iii) Grants and donations

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

(iv) Tax reclaims on donations and gifts

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

(v) Contractual income and performance related grants

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

(vi) Gifts in kind

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

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

(vii) Donated services and facilities

These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

(viii) Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

(ix) Investment income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

(x) Investment gains and losses

This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

(xi) Liability recognition

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

(xii) Governance costs

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

(xiii) Grants with performance conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

(xiv) Grants payable without performance conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity.

(xv) Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, e.g. allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

ASSETS

(xvi) Tangible Fixed Assets

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

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

Buildings:	- over 50 years
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	- over 10 years
Motor Vehicles	- over 4 years
Computers, software and technical equipment	- over 4 years

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2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Recorded giving:					
Freewill offering	111,109	43,193	-	154,302	155,834
Loose collections	5,064	8,909	-	13,973	14,066
Donations and gifts	410	27,611	-	28,021	20,065
Gift aid	21,317	13,480	-	34,797	34,687
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	137,900	93,193	-	231,093	224,652
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3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Income from charitable activities					
Organisation income	-	4,565	-	4,565	2,855
Fundraising events	-	3,820	-	3,820	11,351
Grants	-	2,617	-	2,617	1,650
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	-	11,002	-	11,002	15,856
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2024

4. INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Deposit interest	1,992	33	-	2,025	934
Property Rents	200	14,060	-	14,260	18,992
	2,192	14,093	-	16,285	19,926

5. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Graveyard	4,420	-	-	4,420	3,250
Other income	1,908	21,620	-	23,528	19,664
	6,328	21,620	-	27,948	22,914

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6. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
FWO envelopes	1,229	-	-	1,229	1,229
Fundraising events	-	226	-	226	746
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	1,229	226	-	1,455	1,975
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7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
General Assembly Assessments	15,027	-	-	15,027	13,753
Presbytery fees	1,342	-	-	1,342	1,048
Ministry and support staff costs	68,337	-	-	68,337	76,441
Congregational running expenses	53,863	39,956	-	93,819	49,529
Donations to Missions and charities	5,330	35,828	-	41,158	28,346
Governance costs	1,497	-	-	1,497	2,902
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	145,396	75,784	-	221,180	172,019
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8. OTHER EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Depreciation	46,950	-	-	46,950	46,950
Loan interest	16,723	-	-	16,723	21,654
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	63,673	-	-	63,673	68,604
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9. EMPLOYEES

Employment Costs

	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£
Wages and Salaries	50,428	44,091
Social Security Costs	4,072	5,180
Pension contributions	7,600	9,464
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	62,100	58,735
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Number of Employees

The average number of employees, including the minister of the congregation, during the year was:

	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
Average number of employees	£ 3	£ 2
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There were no employees in receipt of employee benefits in excess of £60,000.

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10. PENSION COSTS

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

The contributions made by the congregation during the year were

	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£
Contributions	7,452	9,464
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Other employees

Defined contribution pension scheme

The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The company also operates a defined benefit pension scheme for its employees providing benefits based on final pensionable pay. The assets of this scheme are also held separately from those of the company, being invested with pension fund managers.

	2024	2023
	£	£
Contributions made during the year were	148	-

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11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land & Buildings	Fixtures and Fittings	Equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost or valuation				
At start of year	2,372,755	29,872	107,880	2,510,507
Additions				
Disposals				
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At end of year	2,372,755	29,872	107,880	2,510,507
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Depreciation				
At start of year	244,186	23,828	79,316	347,330
Provision for year	33,175	2,987	10,788	46,950
Disposals				
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At end of year	277,361	26,815	90,104	394,280
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Net Book Value				
At start of year	2,128,569	6,044	28,564	2,163,177
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At end of year	2,095,394	3,057	17,776	2,116,227
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12. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	2024	2023
Value at start of year		
Additions	210,000	210,000
Disposals		
Impairment	-----	-----
Gains / (Losses on revaluation)		
Value at end of year	210,000	210,000
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13. DEBTORS

	2024	2023
Gift Aid Recoverable	10,010	10,428
Prepayments and other debtors	6,283	6,042
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	16,293	16,470
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14. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	2024	2023
Bank accounts	182,170	184,406
Cash in hand	1,809	423
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	183,979	184,829
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15. CREDITORS: amount falling due within one year

	2024	2023
Accruals	1,840	2,608
Bank loan	44,546	44,546
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	46,386	47,154
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16. CREDITORS: amount falling due after more than one year

	2024	2023
Bank loan	137,411	184,640
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	137,411	184,640
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17. FUND BALANCES AND RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS

Fund	Balance at start £	Income £	Expend. £	Transfer £	Balance at end £
Unrestricted Funds					
General Account	2,279,379	146,420	210,298	65,273	2,280,774
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	2,279,379	146,420	210,298	65,273	2,280,774
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Restricted Funds					
General Account	565	495	1,060	-	-
Building Fund	36,823	86,400	24,679	-62,603	35,941
Bible Study Fellowship	391	4,218	3,790	-400	419
Bowling Club	1,652	1,210	1,086	-250	1,526
Boys' Brigade	3,968	1,793	4,233	-	1,528
Crochet/Knitting Club	20	466	275	-120	91
Girls' Brigade	4,194	7,533	6,307	-300	5,120
JAM – Sunday School	3,888	858	1,537	200	3,409
Men's Fellowship	61	355	143	-200	73
Presbyterian Women	2,152	2,479	2,056	-900	1,675
Traditional Hymn Singing	-	910	100	-	810
Young at Heart	1,651	587	809	-	1,429
Badminton Club	35	490	-	-300	225
Youth Fellowship	45	250	140	-	155
Tuesday morning club	220	681	80	-400	421
Special Offerings	7,638	31,183	29,715	-	9,106
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	63,303	139,908	76,010	-65,273	61,928
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Total Funds	<u>2,342,682</u>	<u>286,328</u>	<u>286,308</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,342,702</u>

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18. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Two of the trustees, the minister and caretaker of the congregation, received remuneration of £31,051 and expenses of £5,277 for acting in their capacity. Pension contributions of £7,452 were paid by the congregation in respect of the minister to the Presbyterian Church in Ireland Pension Scheme (2009). The minister also receives the income from the annual rental of Church lands.

None of the other trustees received any remuneration.

During the year, the Church received and paid amounts to the Funds of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland a separate charity and to other charitable bodies. Transactions during the year are as follows:

	Fund Balance at 01/01/24	Income	Gift Aid	Paid Out	From General Fund	Fund Balance at 31/12/24
United Appeal	766	11,524	2,448	(13,068)	-	1,670
World Development Appeal	623	3,980	811	(3,212)		2,202
HG Gift	-	7,510		(7,510)		-
Poppy Appeal	-	719		(800)	81	-
Music Ministry	6,249	150	-	(1,615)		4,784
Kids4Schools	-	2,500	626	(3,126)		-
Youth Ministry	-	450		-		450
Shoebox appeal	-	15		(15)		-
Conacre		450		(450)		
	<u>7,638</u>	<u>27,298</u>	<u>3,885</u>	<u>(29,796)</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>9,106</u>

The congregation also contributed £15,027 for congregational assessments and £1,342 towards Presbytery Assessments during the year.

There were no other related party transactions.

Moira Congregation of the presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105174

Accounts

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

**Trustees Annual Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

Registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland NIC105174

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The Trustees present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 including a Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at that date.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Moira Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland
18 Meeting Street
Moira
BT67 0NR

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105174)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

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

Ian Watson	Richard Brown
Benny Lyness	Roy McCleary
Thomas McGeown	Wilfred Dunlop
Sam Brockbank	Jackson Blakely
Dr Harold Rice	Alan Gamble
James Logan	Andrew Preston
Matthew Blain	Stuart McIlwaine
	Rev D Howard Gilpin

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Minister	Rev D Howard Gilpin
Clerk of Session	Richard Brown
Treasurer	Aninka Moucka /Ivan Barnett

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

SM Vint and Company
8 Newry Road
Banbridge
BT32 3HN

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BANKERS

Danske Bank
Main Street
Lurgan

SOLICITORS

Mr. John Neill
Watson Neill Solicitors
43 Main Street
Moira
BT67 0LQ

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STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

The Kirk Session

The charity trustees of the congregation are the members of its Kirk Session. Under the congregation's governing document, The Code, the book of the constitution and government of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Kirk Session seeks to watch over and promote the spiritual interest of the congregation and of persons not connected with any congregation who are within its bounds. It ensures pastoral care is in place in the congregation and seeks to further the contribution of the Church to Christian witness and service in the local community. The Kirk Session has delegated to its Congregational Committee the temporal affairs of the congregation including administering all funds and property belonging to the congregation. Members of the Kirk Session are ex-officio members of the Congregational Committee.

The Kirk Session consists of the ordained minister and the ruling elders of the congregation. In March 2023 we welcomed a further 4 elders on to Session after an election in 2022. 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 five times during the 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. Moira Congregation of the Presbyterian Church has been assigned to the Dromore 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

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General Assembly, ministers who have retired from active duty and an elder appointed by the Kirk Session of the congregation.

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, administrative and judicial authority, in dealing with all matters brought before it. The General Assembly is normally constituted during the first week in June for worship and to conduct its business. At the end of business it is dissolved. The membership of the General Assembly consists mainly of the active ministers of each congregation, retired ministers and a representative elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation.

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE

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

Moirá Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The Presbyterian Church in Ireland, as a Reformed Church within the wider body of Christ, is grounded in the Scriptures and exists to love and honour God through faith in His Son and by the power of His Spirit, and to enable her members to play their part in fulfilling God's mission to our world.

The congregation's mission purpose is to seek to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ by word and by action. We believe in the importance of preaching what is biblical, relevant and applicable to living in the 21st century. We believe in the vital importance of individual and corporate prayer in the life of our congregation. We believe in the importance of evangelism as Jesus commands us to 'go and make disciples of all nations' and to 'be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth' (Acts 1 v 8). Together we aim to obey Jesus' call to local and international mission. We believe in the importance of being a warm and welcoming Christian community, promoting fellowship between people of all ages. We believe in the importance of praise that is God centred and biblical and believe that singing praise to God is a witness in itself (Acts 16 v 25). It is also a means of spiritual encouragement (Colossians 3 v 16).

As a multi-generational denomination, we believe there is a place for all generations in our Church family. We recognise the importance of welcoming all families to our congregation and will seek to identify and support family needs and integration into Church life. We will achieve this by means of organised activities, events, Church services and provide opportunities to share ideas that help shape the future of our Church. We believe in providing

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sensitive and loving pastoral care (1 Thessalonians 2 v 7-8) for all those not only within the congregation but any who venture into our building and who express a need for such care.

We desire to be Christ centred and people orientated in our approach and we will offer Christian compassion and grace to all those who come under our care.

We believe it is important to recognise that our Church is a living, spiritual organisation that needs to be managed through a structure of different roles, policies, procedures and systems to achieve God's purpose for His Church in Moira. It is important that leaders take responsibility for the spiritual and temporal governance of Church activities in accordance with Christian principles and legal obligations.

ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

The congregation meets for worship every Sunday and visitors are welcome to join. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is observed on several occasions during the year and all those who have been baptised and who have made a profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are admitted to the Lord's Supper. The congregation holds regular bible study meetings and has a wide range of organisations including:

- Sunday School
- Boys' Brigade
- Girls' Brigade
- Badminton Club
- Bowling Club
- Friday Morning Prayer Group
- Bible Study, Prayer & Small Groups
- Crochet Club
- Presbyterian Women
- Choir & Praise Group
- Men's Fellowship
- Youth Fellowship
- Young at Heart Senior Citizens
- Cycle Group
- Tuesday Morning Fellowship

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

The congregation normally meets for worship each Sunday at 11.00am and monthly at 6.30pm. During the week the Bible Study provides an opportunity for members to meet together for fellowship, to study the scriptures and for a time of prayer. In addition, a small group meets on a Friday morning for prayer.

As well as our regular services during the year we acknowledged God's gift of new life at 2 Sacraments of Baptism, we gave thanks for faithful services and sought to comfort those who had been bereaved during the year.

At 31 December 2023 there were 249 communicant members and 266 families connected with the congregations. The average weekly attendance at morning worship was 210.

Pastoral care

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

Mission and outreach

At a local level the congregation wants to reach people in Moira for God, to tell them about God's love for everyone and the good news of the gospel. We plan to discover what the people in our community today need most and how we can demonstrate God's answer to these needs in real, practical ways. We are using the Umoja process for church and community mobilisation as an additional tool to help us reach the community in Moira. Internationally, we will continue to support Presbyterian missionaries and other mission organisations such as Tear Fund and Christian Aid.

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

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college for ministry students, and financially supports congregations in the areas of worship, discipleship, global mission, outreach, leadership and pastoral care.

The congregation also supports the annual World Development Appeal which offers congregations the opportunity to learn more about and to support the valuable and vital work of sustainable development undertaken by PCI development partners, Christian Aid and Tearfund. Focusing on a particular project gives congregations the opportunity to 'go deep' in understanding some of the challenges of sustainable development in a particular location and to see how the partner agency, working with communities there, is seeking to address them. It also seeks to enable congregations to 'go wide' in their understanding of sustainable development by presenting an informed picture of practices that seek to build, within communities, the capacity for a shared vision of the future that is not dictated by context, culture, or circumstances. The 2023 World Development Appeal focused on the millions of people around the world who have been forced to leave their homes for many reasons including conflict, climate change and land grabbing. These people often have to leave with little notice, settling in new places with few resources. Displaced from their homes, they have to start from scratch.

In addition to the United Appeal and World Development Appeal, the congregation have committed to financially and prayerfully support Kids4School in their work in Tanzania. Kids4School is a multifaceted ministry which primarily enables children to go to school. But along with child sponsorship they operate a feeding program and are involved in many different construction and training projects.

Presbytery

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

General Assembly

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

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Organisations

- ❖ On Sunday mornings during the main Church service the Sunday School meets in our church halls comprising of approximately 40 children and young people.
- ❖ On Monday evenings the Boys' Brigade meets in the church halls. This comprises of approximately 45 boys and teenagers.
- ❖ On Wednesday evening the Bowling Club meets in the church halls comprising of approximately 20 members.
- ❖ On Wednesday evening the Bible Study & Prayer Fellowship meets in the upper room in the new church building comprising approximately 40 members.
- ❖ On Thursday evening the Girls' Brigade meets in the church halls comprising approximately 60 members.
- ❖ Moira Presbyterian Women (PW) meets on the third Tuesday of each month in the upper room. The PW is led by a group leader and a committee of eight who are elected annually by the members. There are approximately 35 ladies in attendance at each meeting.

Volunteers

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

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The Presbyterian Church in Ireland meets the public benefit requirement by providing benefit to its members and the general public by making known the Christian Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ through the advancement of religion.

The direct benefits which flow from the purposes of the Church include the gaining of an understanding in Christian beliefs as set out in the Bible and in the Church's subordinate standards (the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Shorter and Larger Catechisms) leading to spiritual and moral development and opportunities for response to Bible teaching. In turn, this framework leads to practical expressions of Christian beliefs and standards in the local community such as through the care of those in need (including the sick, disabled and bereaved).

Generally the above benefits are delivered locally by congregations and their members, or are facilitated through presbyteries or are organised and delivered centrally. Local delivery is facilitated by central resources in almost all cases. Public access is made known through the

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use of noticeboards, printed material, press advertisements, websites, and social media or in other ways.

The benefits are demonstrated through regular evaluation of the services and informal and ad-hoc feedback from members, their families, and members of the public.

The purpose does not lead to harm. The only private benefit flowing from our purpose is related to Ministers, Missionaries, Deaconesses, Irish Mission workers and Lay Agents who receive benefits as a result of their holding office or employment. However, this is incidental and necessary in order to further our charitable purpose. There are no other private benefits. The beneficiaries of this purpose are members, their families, other individuals that the Presbyterian Church in Ireland is in direct and indirect contact with, the community in which pastoral services are provided and other communities throughout Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, and worldwide which benefit from our engagement with and support for both Christian and other secular organisations, charities and individual members of the public.

The Kirk Session has had regard to the Charity Commission's Public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The congregation's main source of income is members' contributions through the Weekly Freewill Offering. There were 212 contributors during the year [240 in previous year, 2022] donating a total of £111,849 (£108,270 in previous year, 2022)

Total Income of the congregation during the year was £283,348, compared to £251,556 in the previous year.

Total expenditure increased from £227,399 to £242,598.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

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

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent

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- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is appropriate to presume that the funds will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the 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.

GOING CONCERN

The activities of the congregation are dependent on ongoing contributions from its members. The trustees are of the opinion that the congregation has sufficient resources at the date of approval of these financial statements to meet commitments which will arise in the year from the date of signing this report and subject to the continuing support from members to be able to fund on an ongoing basis the congregation's current activities and other financial commitments.

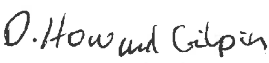
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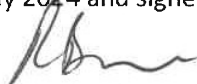
The trustees have considered the level of unrestricted net current assets that it is appropriate to hold, taking account of current and on-going commitments. It is the policy of the trustees to hold at least four month's unrestricted expenditure. At the year end net current assets (excluding loan amounts) were £135,388 which represents a higher level of reserves than the four months amount of £70,080. The trustees consider it prudent to maintain the net current assets to a level equivalent to or above four month's unrestricted expenditure.

RISK REVIEW

A review of major risks has been undertaken by the trustees and systems and procedures implemented to manage identified risks. The principal risks are in relation to the likelihood of reputational damage and financial risks associated with the expectation of ongoing financial support from members. These risks are mitigated by the trustees and the congregational committee, regularly monitoring the various activities of the congregation at stated meetings and by encouraging members in their regular giving.

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 9th May 2024 and signed on its behalf by


Rev D Howard Gilpin
9th May 2024


Mr Richard Brown
9th May 2024

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

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2023 which are set out on pages 13 to 30.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. You are satisfied that your charity is not required by charity law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

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 Charity Commission for Northern Ireland 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. The 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 and with the methods and principles of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF MOIRA CONGREGATION OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND (cont'd)**

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants which is one of the listed bodies.

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.



Brian Magennis, FCCA FCA
SM Vint and Company
8 Newry Road
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9th May 2024

MOIRA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
a Congregation of The Presbyterian Church In Ireland

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
		£	£	£	£	£
Income and Endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	2	138,779	85,873	0	224,652	228,299
Charitable activities	3	0	15,856	0	15,856	10,185
Investments	4	12,788	7,138	0	19,926	10,465
Other	5	3,250	19,664	0	22,914	2,607
Total		154,817	128,531	0	283,348	251,556
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	6	1,267	708	0	1,975	1,182
Charitable activities	7	140,371	31,648	0	172,019	162,943
Other	8	68,604	0	0	68,604	63,274
Total		210,242	32,356	0	242,598	227,399
Net gains/(losses) on investments		0	0	0	0	0
Net Income / (expenditure)		-55,425	96,175	0	40,750	24,157
Transfers between funds		139,577	-139,577	0	0	0
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets		0	0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		84,152	-43,402	0	40,750	24,157
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward		2,195,227	106,705	0	2,301,932	2,277,775
Total funds carried forward		2,279,379	63,303	0	2,342,682	2,301,932

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BALANCE SHEET
As at 31 December 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Fixed assets:						
Tangible assets	11	2,163,177			2,163,177	2,210,127
Heritage assets						
Investments	12	210,000			210,000	210,000
Total fixed assets		2,373,177			2,373,177	2,420,127
Current assets						
Debtors	13	10,891	5,579		16,470	18,271
Current Investments						
Cash at bank and in hand	14	126,655	58,174		184,829	221,518
Total current assets		137,546	63,753		201,299	239,789
Liabilities:						
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	15	46,704	450		47,154	39,647
Net current assets or liabilities		90,842	63,303		154,145	200,142
Total assets less current liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	16	184,640			184,640	318,337
Total net assets or liabilities		2,279,379	63,303		2,342,682	2,301,932

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BALANCE SHEET
As at 31 December 2023

	Note	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Funds of the charity			
Restricted income funds	17	63,303	106,705
Unrestricted funds	17	2,279,379	2,195,227
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Total charity funds		2,342,682	2,301,932
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Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 9th May 2024 and signed on its behalf by

D. Howard Gilpin

Rev D Howard Gilpin

Richard Brown

Mr. Richard Brown

MOIRA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
a Congregation of The Presbyterian Church In Ireland

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

31 December 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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

FUND ACCOUNTING

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

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments which is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue 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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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES(cont'd)

INCOMING RESOURCES

(i) Recognition of incoming resources

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

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

(ii) Incoming resources with related expenditure

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

(iii) Grants and donations

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

(iv) Tax reclaims on donations and gifts

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

(v) Contractual income and performance related grants

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

(vi) Gifts in kind

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

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

(vii) Donated services and facilities

These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

(viii) Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

(ix) Investment income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

(x) Investment gains and losses

This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

(xi) Liability recognition

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

(xii) Governance costs

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

(xiii) Grants with performance conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

(xiv) Grants payable without performance conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity.

(xv) Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, e.g. allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

ASSETS

(xvi) Tangible Fixed Assets

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

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

Buildings:	- over 50 years
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	- over 10 years
Motor Vehicles	- over 4 years
Computers, software and technical equipment	- over 4 years

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2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Recorded giving:					
Freewill offering	111,849	43,985	0	155,834	153,059
Loose collections	4,611	9,455	0	14,066	2,227
Donations and gifts	1,100	18,965	0	20,065	40,297
Gift aid	21,219	13,468	0	34,687	32,716
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	138,779	85,873	0	224,652	228,299
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3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Income from charitable activities					
Organisation income	0	2,855	0	2,855	2,210
Fundraising events	0	11,351	0	11,351	5,031
Grants	0	1,650	0	1,650	2,944
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	0	15,856	0	15,856	10,185
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2023

4. INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Deposit interest	903	31	0	934	485
Property Rents	11,885	7,107	0	18,992	9,980
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	12,788	7,138	0	19,926	10,465
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5. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Graveyard	3,250	0	0	3,250	1,840
Other income	0	19,664	0	19,664	767
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	3,250	19,664	0	22,914	2,607
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31 December 2023

6. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
FWO envelopes	1,229	0	0	1,229	1,182
Fundraising events	38	708	0	746	0
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	1,267	708	0	1,975	1,182
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7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
General Assembly Assessments	13,753	0	0	13,753	13,652
Presbytery fees	1,048	0	0	1,048	1,007
Ministry and support staff costs	75,701	740	0	76,441	73,743
Congregational running expenses	40,193	9,336	0	49,529	42,441
Donations to Missions and charities	6,774	21,572	0	28,346	26,550
Governance costs	2,902	0	0	2,902	5,550
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	140,371	31,648	0	172,019	162,943
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8. OTHER EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Depreciation	46,950	0	0	46,950	46,950
Loan interest	21,654	0	0	21,654	16,324
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	68,604	0	0	68,604	63,274
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9. EMPLOYEES

Employment Costs

	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£
Wages and Salaries	44,091	52,824
Social Security Costs	5,180	5,073
Pension contributions	9,464	9,013
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	58,735	66,910
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Number of Employees

The average number of employees, including the minister of the congregation, during the year was:

	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£
Average number of employees	2	3
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There were no employees in receipt of employee benefits in excess of £60,000.

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10. PENSION COSTS

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

The contributions made by the congregation during the year were

	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£
Contributions	9,464	9,013
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)
31 December 2023

11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land & Buildings	Fixtures and Fittings	Equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost or valuation				
At start of year	2,372,755	29,872	107,880	2,510,507
Additions				
Disposals				
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At end of year	2,372,755	29,872	107,880	2,510,507
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Depreciation				
At start of year	211,011	20,841	68,528	300,380
Provision for year	33,175	2,987	10,788	46,950
Disposals				
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At end of year	244,186	23,828	79,316	347,330
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Net Book Value				
At start of year	2,161,744	9,031	39,352	2,210,127
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At end of year	2,128,569	6,044	28,564	2,163,177
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12. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	2023	2022
Value at start of year		
Additions	210,000	210,000
Disposals		
Impairment	-----	-----
Gains / (Losses on revaluation)		
Value at end of year	210,000	210,000
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13. DEBTORS

	2023	2022
Gift Aid Recoverable	10,428	12,601
Prepayments and other debtors	6,042	5,670
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	16,470	18,271
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14. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	2023	2022
Bank accounts	184,406	221,452
Cash in hand	423	66
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	184,829	221,518
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15. CREDITORS: amount falling due within one year

	2023	2022
Accruals	2,608	1,375
Bank loan	44,546	38,272
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	47,154	39,647
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16. CREDITORS: amount falling due after more than one year

	2023	2022
Bank loan	184,640	318,337
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	184,640	318,337
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31 December 2023

17. FUND BALANCES AND RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS

Fund	Balance at start	Income	Expend.	Transfer	Balance at end
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General Account	2,195,227	154,817	210,242	139,577	2,279,379
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	2,195,227	154,817	210,242	139,577	2,279,379
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Restricted Funds					
General Account	0	1,869	1,304	0	565
Building Fund	90,283	83,895	578	-136,777	36,823
Bible Study Fellowship	201	4,899	4,309	-400	391
Bowling Club	1,722	610	430	-250	1,652
Boys' Brigade	2,598	1,833	263	-200	3,968
Crochet/Knitting Club	14	737	331	-400	20
Girls' Brigade	3,946	6,947	6,449	-250	4,194
JAM – Sunday School	3,230	1,258	900	300	3,888
Men's Fellowship	50	70	59	0	61
Presbyterian Women	1,604	3,664	1,866	-1,250	2,152
Young at Heart	1,565	451	365	0	1,651
Badminton Club	0	283	18	-230	35
Youth Fellowship	0	95	50	0	45
Tuesday morning club	0	540	200	-120	220
Special Offerings	1,492	21,380	15,234	0	7,638
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	106,705	128,531	32,356	-139,577	63,303
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Total Funds	<u>2,301,932</u>	<u>283,348</u>	<u>242,598</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,342,682</u>

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18. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Two of the trustees, the minister and caretaker of the congregation, received remuneration of £43,159 and expenses of £8,126 for acting in their capacity. Pension contributions of £9,464 were paid by the congregation in respect of the minister to the Presbyterian Church in Ireland Pension Scheme (2009). The minister also receives the income from the annual rental of Church lands. Rents paid to him in this year amounted to £450.

None of the other trustees received any remuneration.

During the year, the Church received and paid amounts to the Funds of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland a separate charity and to other charitable bodies. Transactions during the year are as follows:

	Fund Balance at 01/01/23	Income	Gift Aid	Paid Out	From General Fund	Fund Balance at 31/12/23
United Appeal	992	9,316	1,872	-12,646	1,232	766
World Development Appeal	498	2,030	422	-2,328		622
Students' Bursary Fund		684		-684		0
Poppy Appeal		808		-1,000	192	0
Music Ministry		5,000	1,248			6,248
	<u>1,490</u>	<u>17,838</u>	<u>3,542</u>	<u>-16,658</u>	<u>1,424</u>	<u>7,636</u>

The congregation also contributed £13,753 for congregational assessments and £1,048 towards Presbytery Assessments during the year.

There were no other related party transactions.

Moira Congregation of the presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105174

Annual report

MOIRA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 including a Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at that date.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Moira Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland
18 Meeting Street
Moira
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Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105174)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

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

Ian Watson	Richard Brown
Benny Lyness	Roy McCleary
Thomas McGeown	Wilfred Dunlop
Sam Brockbank	Jackson Blakely
Dr Harold Rice	Alan Gamble
James Logan	Andrew Preston
Matthew Blain	Stuart McIlwaine
	Rev D Howard Gilpin

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Minister	Rev D Howard Gilpin
Clerk of Session	Richard Brown
Treasurer	Aninka Moucka /Ivan Barnett

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

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BANKERS

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SOLICITORS

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STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

The Kirk Session

The charity trustees of the congregation are the members of its Kirk Session. Under the congregation's governing document, The Code, the book of the constitution and government of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Kirk Session seeks to watch over and promote the spiritual interest of the congregation and of persons not connected with any congregation who are within its bounds. It ensures pastoral care is in place in the congregation and seeks to further the contribution of the Church to Christian witness and service in the local community. The Kirk Session has delegated to its Congregational Committee the temporal affairs of the congregation including administering all funds and property belonging to the congregation. Members of the Kirk Session are ex-officio members of the Congregational Committee.

The Kirk Session consists of the ordained minister and the ruling elders of the congregation. In March 2023 we welcomed a further 4 elders on to Session after an election in 2022. 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 five times during the 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. Moira Congregation of the Presbyterian Church has been assigned to the Dromore 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

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General Assembly, ministers who have retired from active duty and an elder appointed by the Kirk Session of the congregation.

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, administrative and judicial authority, in dealing with all matters brought before it. The General Assembly is normally constituted during the first week in June for worship and to conduct its business. At the end of business it is dissolved. The membership of the General Assembly consists mainly of the active ministers of each congregation, retired ministers and a representative elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation.

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE

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

Moira Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The Presbyterian Church in Ireland, as a Reformed Church within the wider body of Christ, is grounded in the Scriptures and exists to love and honour God through faith in His Son and by the power of His Spirit, and to enable her members to play their part in fulfilling God's mission to our world.

The congregation's mission purpose is to seek to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ by word and by action. We believe in the importance of preaching what is biblical, relevant and applicable to living in the 21st century. We believe in the vital importance of individual and corporate prayer in the life of our congregation. We believe in the importance of evangelism as Jesus commands us to 'go and make disciples of all nations' and to 'be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth' (Acts 1 v 8). Together we aim to obey Jesus' call to local and international mission. We believe in the importance of being a warm and welcoming Christian community, promoting fellowship between people of all ages. We believe in the importance of praise that is God centred and biblical and believe that singing praise to God is a witness in itself (Acts 16 v 25). It is also a means of spiritual encouragement (Colossians 3 v 16).

As a multi-generational denomination, we believe there is a place for all generations in our Church family. We recognise the importance of welcoming all families to our congregation and will seek to identify and support family needs and integration into Church life. We will achieve this by means of organised activities, events, Church services and provide opportunities to share ideas that help shape the future of our Church. We believe in providing

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sensitive and loving pastoral care (1 Thessalonians 2 v 7-8) for all those not only within the congregation but any who venture into our building and who express a need for such care.

We desire to be Christ centred and people orientated in our approach and we will offer Christian compassion and grace to all those who come under our care.

We believe it is important to recognise that our Church is a living, spiritual organisation that needs to be managed through a structure of different roles, policies, procedures and systems to achieve God's purpose for His Church in Moira. It is important that leaders take responsibility for the spiritual and temporal governance of Church activities in accordance with Christian principles and legal obligations.

ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

The congregation meets for worship every Sunday and visitors are welcome to join. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is observed on several occasions during the year and all those who have been baptised and who have made a profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are admitted to the Lord's Supper. The congregation holds regular bible study meetings and has a wide range of organisations including:

- Sunday School
- Boys' Brigade
- Girls' Brigade
- Badminton Club
- Bowling Club
- Friday Morning Prayer Group
- Bible Study, Prayer & Small Groups
- Crochet Club
- Presbyterian Women
- Choir & Praise Group
- Men's Fellowship
- Youth Fellowship
- Young at Heart Senior Citizens
- Cycle Group
- Tuesday Morning Fellowship

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

The congregation normally meets for worship each Sunday at 11.00am and monthly at 6.30pm. During the week the Bible Study provides an opportunity for members to meet together for fellowship, to study the scriptures and for a time of prayer. In addition, a small group meets on a Friday morning for prayer.

As well as our regular services during the year we acknowledged God's gift of new life at 2 Sacraments of Baptism, we gave thanks for faithful services and sought to comfort those who had been bereaved during the year.

At 31 December 2023 there were 249 communicant members and 266 families connected with the congregations. The average weekly attendance at morning worship was 210.

Pastoral care

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

Mission and outreach

At a local level the congregation wants to reach people in Moira for God, to tell them about God's love for everyone and the good news of the gospel. We plan to discover what the people in our community today need most and how we can demonstrate God's answer to these needs in real, practical ways. We are using the Umoja process for church and community mobilisation as an additional tool to help us reach the community in Moira. Internationally, we will continue to support Presbyterian missionaries and other mission organisations such as Tear Fund and Christian Aid.

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

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college for ministry students, and financially supports congregations in the areas of worship, discipleship, global mission, outreach, leadership and pastoral care.

The congregation also supports the annual World Development Appeal which offers congregations the opportunity to learn more about and to support the valuable and vital work of sustainable development undertaken by PCI development partners, Christian Aid and Tearfund. Focusing on a particular project gives congregations the opportunity to 'go deep' in understanding some of the challenges of sustainable development in a particular location and to see how the partner agency, working with communities there, is seeking to address them. It also seeks to enable congregations to 'go wide' in their understanding of sustainable development by presenting an informed picture of practices that seek to build, within communities, the capacity for a shared vision of the future that is not dictated by context, culture, or circumstances. The 2023 World Development Appeal focused on the millions of people around the world who have been forced to leave their homes for many reasons including conflict, climate change and land grabbing. These people often have to leave with little notice, settling in new places with few resources. Displaced from their homes, they have to start from scratch.

In addition to the United Appeal and World Development Appeal, the congregation have committed to financially and prayerfully support Kids4School in their work in Tanzania. Kids4School is a multifaceted ministry which primarily enables children to go to school. But along with child sponsorship they operate a feeding program and are involved in many different construction and training projects.

Presbytery

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

General Assembly

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

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Organisations

- ❖ On Sunday mornings during the main Church service the Sunday School meets in our church halls comprising of approximately 40 children and young people.
- ❖ On Monday evenings the Boys' Brigade meets in the church halls. This comprises of approximately 45 boys and teenagers.
- ❖ On Wednesday evening the Bowling Club meets in the church halls comprising of approximately 20 members.
- ❖ On Wednesday evening the Bible Study & Prayer Fellowship meets in the upper room in the new church building comprising approximately 40 members.
- ❖ On Thursday evening the Girls' Brigade meets in the church halls comprising approximately 60 members.
- ❖ Moira Presbyterian Women (PW) meets on the third Tuesday of each month in the upper room. The PW is led by a group leader and a committee of eight who are elected annually by the members. There are approximately 35 ladies in attendance at each meeting.

Volunteers

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

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The Presbyterian Church in Ireland meets the public benefit requirement by providing benefit to its members and the general public by making known the Christian Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ through the advancement of religion.

The direct benefits which flow from the purposes of the Church include the gaining of an understanding in Christian beliefs as set out in the Bible and in the Church's subordinate standards (the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Shorter and Larger Catechisms) leading to spiritual and moral development and opportunities for response to Bible teaching. In turn, this framework leads to practical expressions of Christian beliefs and standards in the local community such as through the care of those in need (including the sick, disabled and bereaved).

Generally the above benefits are delivered locally by congregations and their members, or are facilitated through presbyteries or are organised and delivered centrally. Local delivery is facilitated by central resources in almost all cases. Public access is made known through the

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use of noticeboards, printed material, press advertisements, websites, and social media or in other ways.

The benefits are demonstrated through regular evaluation of the services and informal and ad-hoc feedback from members, their families, and members of the public.

The purpose does not lead to harm. The only private benefit flowing from our purpose is related to Ministers, Missionaries, Deaconesses, Irish Mission workers and Lay Agents who receive benefits as a result of their holding office or employment. However, this is incidental and necessary in order to further our charitable purpose. There are no other private benefits. The beneficiaries of this purpose are members, their families, other individuals that the Presbyterian Church in Ireland is in direct and indirect contact with, the community in which pastoral services are provided and other communities throughout Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, and worldwide which benefit from our engagement with and support for both Christian and other secular organisations, charities and individual members of the public.

The Kirk Session has had regard to the Charity Commission's Public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The congregation's main source of income is members' contributions through the Weekly Freewill Offering. There were 212 contributors during the year [240 in previous year, 2022] donating a total of £111,849 (£108,270 in previous year, 2022)

Total Income of the congregation during the year was £283,348, compared to £251,556 in the previous year.

Total expenditure increased from £227,399 to £242,598.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

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

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent

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- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is appropriate to presume that the funds will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the 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.

GOING CONCERN

The activities of the congregation are dependent on ongoing contributions from its members. The trustees are of the opinion that the congregation has sufficient resources at the date of approval of these financial statements to meet commitments which will arise in the year from the date of signing this report and subject to the continuing support from members to be able to fund on an ongoing basis the congregation's current activities and other financial commitments.

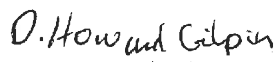
RESERVES POLICY


The trustees have considered the level of unrestricted net current assets that it is appropriate to hold, taking account of current and on-going commitments. It is the policy of the trustees to hold at least four month's unrestricted expenditure. At the year end net current assets (excluding loan amounts) were £135,388 which represents a higher level of reserves than the four months amount of £70,080. The trustees consider it prudent to maintain the net current assets to a level equivalent to or above four month's unrestricted expenditure.

RISK REVIEW

A review of major risks has been undertaken by the trustees and systems and procedures implemented to manage identified risks. The principal risks are in relation to the likelihood of reputational damage and financial risks associated with the expectation of ongoing financial support from members. These risks are mitigated by the trustees and the congregational committee, regularly monitoring the various activities of the congregation at stated meetings and by encouraging members in their regular giving.

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 9th May 2024 and signed on its behalf by


Rev D Howard Gilpin
9th May 2024


Mr Richard Brown
9th May 2024

Moir Congregation of the presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105174

Annual return

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

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2023 which are set out on pages 13 to 30.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. You are satisfied that your charity is not required by charity law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

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 Charity Commission for Northern Ireland 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. The 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 and with the methods and principles of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF MOIRA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND (cont'd)

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants which is one of the listed bodies.

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.



Brian Magennis, FCCA FCA
SM Vint and Company
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9th May 2024

Moira Congregation of the presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105174

Accounts

**Moira Presbyterian Church
a Congregation of the
Presbyterian Church in Ireland**

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

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 including a Balance Sheet as at that date.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Moira Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland
18 Meeting Street,
Moira,
BT67 0NR

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105174)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

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

Ian Watson
Benny Lyness
Thomas McGeown
Sam Brockbank
Dr. Harold Rice
James Logan

Richard Brown
Roy McCleary
Wilfred Dunlop
Jackson Blakely
Rev D Howard Gilpin

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Minister
Clerk of Session
Treasurers

Rev D Howard Gilpin
Ian Watson
Ivan Barnett / Roy McCleary

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STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

The Kirk Session

The charity trustees of the congregation are the members of its Kirk Session. Under the congregation's governing document, The Code, the book of the constitution and government of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Kirk Session seeks to watch over and promote the spiritual interest of the congregation and of persons not connected with any congregation who are within its bounds. It ensures pastoral care is in place in the congregation and seeks to further the contribution of the Church to Christian witness and service in the local community. The Kirk Session has delegated to its Congregational Committee the temporal affairs of the congregation including administering all funds and property belonging to the congregation. Members of the Kirk Session are ex-officio members of the Congregational Committee.

The Kirk Session consists of the ordained minister and the ruling elders. In March 2023 we will welcome a further 4 Elders on to Session after an election in 2022. 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 five times during the 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. Moira Presbyterian Church has been assigned to the Dromore Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The membership of the Presbytery consists mainly of the active ministers of congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly, ministers who have retired from active duty and an elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation.

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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, administrative and judicial authority, in dealing with all matters brought before it. The General Assembly is normally constituted during the first week in June for worship and to conduct its business. At the end of business, it is dissolved. The membership of the General Assembly consists mainly of the active ministers of each congregation, retired ministers and a representative elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation.

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE

Moirá Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The Presbyterian Church in Ireland, as a Reformed Church within the wider body of Christ is grounded in the Scriptures and exists to love and honour God through faith in His Son and by the power of His Spirit, and to enable her members to play their part in fulfilling God's mission to our world.

The congregation's mission purpose is to seek to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ by word and by action. We believe in the importance of preaching, what is biblical, relevant and applicable to living in the 21st Century. We believe in the vital importance of individual and corporate prayer in the life of our congregation. We believe in the importance of evangelism as Jesus commands us to.... "go and make disciples of all nations" and to... "be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1vs8). Together we aim to obey Jesus' call to local and international mission. We believe in the importance of being a warm and welcoming Christian community promoting fellowship between people of all ages. We believe in the importance of praise that is God centred and biblical and believe that singing praise to God is a witness in itself (Acts 16 vs25). It is also a means of spiritual encouragement (Coloss. 3 vs16).

As a multi-generational denomination, we believe there is a place for all generations in our Church family. We recognise the importance of welcoming all families to our congregation and will seek to identify and support family needs and integration into church life. We will achieve this by means of organised activities, events, Church Services and provide opportunities to share ideas that help shape the future of our Church. We believe

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in providing sensitive and loving pastoral care (1 Thess. 2 vs7-8) for all those not only within the congregation but any who venture into our building and who express a need for such care. We desire to be Christ centred and people orientated in our approach and we will offer Christian compassion and grace to all those who come under our care.

We believe it is important to recognise that our Church is a living, spiritual organisation that needs to be managed through a structure of different roles, policies, procedures and systems to achieve God's purpose for his Church in Moira. It is important that leaders take responsibility for the spiritual and temporal governance of Church activities in accordance with Christian principles and legal obligations.

ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

The congregation meets for worship every Sunday and visitors are welcome to join. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is observed on four occasions during the year and all those who have been baptised and who have made a profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are admitted to the Lord's Supper. The congregation holds regular Bible Study meetings and has a wide range of organisations including:

- Sunday School
- Boys' Brigade
- Girls' Brigade
- Badminton Club
- Bowling Club
- Friday Morning Prayer Group
- Home Bible Study and Prayer Groups
- Crochet Club
- Presbyterian Women
- Choir & Praise Group
- Men's Fellowship
- Youth Fellowship
- Young at Heart Senior Citizens
- Cycle Group

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

The congregation normally meets for worship each Sunday at 11.00am and monthly at 6.30pm. During the week the Bible Study provides an opportunity for members to meet together for fellowship, to study the scriptures and for a time of prayer.

As well as our regular services during the year we acknowledged God's gift of new life at 2 Sacraments of Baptism. We gave thanks for faithful services and sought to comfort those who had been bereaved during the year.

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At 31 December 2022 there were 276 communicant members and 298 families connected with the congregations. The average weekly attendance at morning worship was 220.

Pastoral care

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

Mission and outreach

At a local level, as a congregation we want to reach people in Moira for God, to tell them about God's love for everyone and the good news of the gospel. We plan to discover what the people in our community today need most, and how we can demonstrate God's answer to these needs in real practical ways. We are using the Umoja process for church and community mobilisation as an additional tool to help us reach the community in Moira. Internationally we will continue to support Presbyterian missionaries and other mission organisations such as Tearfund and Christian Aid.

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Presbytery

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

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General Assembly

The minister was nominated to attend the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland held in Assembly Buildings, Belfast, in June.

Organisations

- ❖ On Sunday mornings during the main Church service the Sunday School meets in our Church halls comprising of c20 children and teenagers.
- ❖ On Monday evenings the Boys' Brigade meets in the Church Halls. This comprises of c40 boys and teenagers.
- ❖ On Wednesday evenings the Bowling Club meets in the Church Halls comprising of c30 members.
- ❖ On Wednesday evenings the Bible Study and Prayer Fellowship meets in the Upper Room, in the new Church building comprising of c40 members.
- ❖ On Thursday evenings the Girls' Brigade meets in the Church Halls comprising of c55 members.
- ❖ Moira Presbyterian Women (PW) meets on the third Tuesday of each month in the Upper room. The PW is led by a Group Leader and a committee of eight who are elected annually by the members. There are approximately 30 to 40 ladies in attendance at each meeting.

Volunteers

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

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.

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The direct benefits which flow from the purposes of the Church include the gaining of an understanding in Christian beliefs as set out in the Bible and in the Church's subordinate standards, (the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Shorter and Larger Catechisms), leading to spiritual and moral development and opportunities for response to Bible teaching. In turn, this framework leads to practical expressions of Christian beliefs and standards in the local community such as through the care of those in need, (including the sick, disabled and bereaved).

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The Kirk Session has had regard to the Charity Commissions public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The congregation's main source of income is members' contributions through the Weekly Freewill Offering. There were 240 contributors during the year (276 in previous year, 2021) donating a total of £108,270 (£108,745 in previous year, 2021)

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Total Income of the congregation during the year was £251,556 compared to £234,532 in the previous year. (2021)

Total expenditure increased from £198,901 (2021) to £227,399, less than a 15% increase.

RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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

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

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

GOING CONCERN

The activities of the congregation are dependent on ongoing contributions from its members. The Trustees are of the opinion that the congregation has sufficient resources at the date of approval of these financial statements to meet commitments which will arise in the year from the date of signing this report and subject to the continuing support from members to be able to fund, on an ongoing basis the congregation's current activities and other financial commitments.

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RESERVES POLICY

The Trustees have considered the level of unrestricted net current assets that it is appropriate to hold, taking account of current and ongoing commitments. It is the policy of the Trustees to hold at least 4 month's unrestricted expenditure. At the year end net current assets (excluding loan amounts) were £131,710 which represents a higher level of reserves than the four months amount of £64,911. The Trustees consider it prudent to maintain the net current assets to a level equivalent to or above four month's unrestricted expenditure.

RISK REVIEW

A review of major risks has been undertaken by the Trustees and systems and procedures implemented to manage identified risks. The principal risks are in relation to the likelihood of reputational damage and financial risks associated with the expectation of ongoing financial support from members. These risks are mitigated by the Trustees, and the Congregational Committee, regularly monitoring the various activities of the congregation at stated meetings and by encouraging members in their regular giving.

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 16 May 2023 and signed on its behalf by

Rev. D Howard Gilpin

D. Howard Gilpin
16th May 2023

Mr. Ian Watson

Ian Watson
16/ May / 2023

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF MOIRA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 set out on pages thirteen to twenty nine.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees 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
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the 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 Charities 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 of 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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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF MOIRA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND (cont'd)

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeds £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants which is one of the listed bodies.

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.



John McCleary FCA
Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland
McCleary & Company Ltd
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Date: 16 May 2023

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
for the year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
		£	£	£	£
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	146,487	81,812	228,299	220,040
Charitable activities	3	-	10,185	10,185	3,259
Investments	4	3,262	7,203	10,465	9,117
Other	5	2,476	131	2,607	2,116
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Total		152,225	99,331	251,556	234,532
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Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	6	1,182	-	1,182	1,150
Charitable activities	7	130,277	32,666	162,943	137,032
Other	8	63,274	-	63,274	60,719
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Total		194,733	32,666	227,399	198,901
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Revaluation of investments	12	-	-	-	(91,166)
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Net Income / (expenditure)		(42,508)	66,665	24,157	(55,535)
Transfers between funds		52,745	(52,745)	-	-
Other recognised gains/(losses)					
Profit on sale of Fixed assets	11	-	-	-	85,204
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Net movement in funds		10,237	13,920	24,157	29,669
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		2,184,990	92,785	2,277,775	2,248,106
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Total funds carried forward		2,195,227	106,705	2,301,932	2,277,775
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MOIRA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
a Congregation of The Presbyterian Church in Ireland
BALANCE SHEET
As at 31 December 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
Fixed assets:					
Tangible assets	11	2,210,127	-	2,210,127	2,257,077
Investments	12	210,000	-	210,000	210,000
Total fixed assets		2,420,127	-	2,420,127	2,467,077
Current assets					
Debtors	13	13,437	4,834	18,271	15,594
Cash at bank and in hand	14	119,648	101,870	221,518	190,639
Total current assets		133,085	106,704	239,789	206,233
Liabilities:					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	15	39,647	-	39,647	40,854
Net current assets		93,438	106,704	200,142	165,379
Total assets less current liabilities		2,513,565	106,704	2,620,269	2,632,456
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	16	(318,337)	-	(318,337)	(354,681)
Total net assets		2,195,228	106,704	2,301,932	2,277,775

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BALANCE SHEET
As at 31 December 2022

	Notes	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
Funds of the charity			
Restricted income funds	17	106,705	92,785
Unrestricted funds	17	2,195,227	2,184,990
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Total charity funds		2,301,932	2,277,775
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Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 16 May 2023 and signed on its behalf by

Rev. D Howard Gilpin

D. Howard Gilpin
16th May 2023

Mr. Ian Watson

Ian Watson
16 May 2023

MOIRA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
31 December 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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

FUND ACCOUNTING

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

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments which is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue 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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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)
INCOMING RESOURCES

(i) Recognition of incoming resources

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

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

(ii) Incoming resources with related expenditure

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

(iii) Grants and donations

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

(iv) Tax reclaims on donations and gifts

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

(v) Contractual income and performance related grants

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

(vi) Gifts in kind

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount realised. Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

(vii) Donated services and facilities

These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

(viii) Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

(ix) Investment income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

(x) Investment gains and losses

This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

(xi) Liability recognition

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

(xii) Governance costs

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

(xiii) Grants with performance conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

(xiv) Grants payable without performance conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity.

(xv) Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, e.g. allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

ASSETS

(xvi) Tangible Fixed Assets

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

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

Buildings:	- over 50 years
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	- over 10 years
Motor Vehicles	- over 4 years
Computers, software and technical equipment	- over 4 years

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2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Recorded giving:				
Freewill offering	108,270	44,789	153,059	159,714
Loose collections	2,227	-	2,227	3,060
Donations and gifts	11,825	28,472	40,297	27,875
Gift Aid	24,165	8,551	32,716	29,391
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	146,487	81,812	228,299	220,040
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3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Income from charitable activities				
Organisation income	-	2,210	2,210	859
Fundraising events	-	5,031	5,031	2,400
Grants	-	2,944	2,944	-
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	-	10,185	10,185	3,259
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4. INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Deposit interest	482	3	485	421
Property rents	2,780	7,200	9,980	8,696
	3,262	7,203	10,465	9,117

5. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Other income	636	131	767	666
Graveyard	1,840	-	1,840	1,450
	2,476	131	2,607	2,116

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6. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
FWO envelopes	1,182	-	1,182	1,150
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	1,182	-	1,182	1,150
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7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
General Assembly Assessments	13,652	-	13,652	15,835
Presbytery fees	1,007	-	1,007	1,040
Ministry and support staff costs	73,743	-	73,743	71,815
Congregational running expenses	35,325	7,116	42,441	21,266
Donations to missions and charities	1,000	25,550	26,550	20,927
Governance costs	5,550	-	5,550	6,149
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	130,277	32,666	162,943	137,032
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8. OTHER EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Depreciation	46,950	-	46,950	46,950
Loan interest	16,324	-	16,324	13,769
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	63,274	-	63,274	60,719
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9. EMPLOYEES

Employment Costs

	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	52,824	51,598
Social security costs	5,073	4,711
Pension contributions	9,013	8,814
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	66,910	65,123
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Number of Employees

The average number of employees, including the minister of the congregation, during the year was:

	2022	2021
Average number of employees	3	3
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There were no employees in receipt of employee benefits in excess of £60,000.

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10. PENSION COSTS

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

The contributions made by the congregation during the year were:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Contributions	9,013	8,814
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The congregation operates a defined pension contribution policy for its employees. The scheme and its assets are held by an independent scheme manager. The pension charge represents the contributions due from the congregation during the year:

	£	£
Contributions	-	-
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11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land & Buildings	Equipment	Fixtures and Fittings	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost or valuation				
At start of year	2,372,755	107,880	29,872	2,510,507
Additions	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-
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At end of year	2,372,755	107,880	29,872	2,510,507
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Depreciation				
At start of year	177,836	57,740	17,854	253,430
Provision for year	33,175	10,788	2,987	46,950
Disposals	-	-	-	-
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At end of year	211,011	68,528	20,841	300,380
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Net Book Value				
At start of year	2,194,919	50,140	12,018	2,257,077
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At end of year	2,161,744	39,352	9,031	2,210,127
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12. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
At start of year	210,000	301,166
Additions (disposals)	-	-
Revaluation	-	(91,166)
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At end of year	210,000	210,000
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13. DEBTORS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Gift aid recoverable	12,601	11,449
Prepayments and other debtors	5,670	4,145
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	18,271	15,594
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14. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	2022	2021
	£	£
Bank accounts	221,452	190,556
Cash in hand	66	83
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	221,518	190,639
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15. CREDITORS: amount falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Accruals	1,375	1,375
Other creditors	-	749
Bank loan	38,272	38,730
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	39,647	40,854
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16. CREDITORS: amount falling due after more than one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Bank loan	318,337	354,681
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	318,337	354,681
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17. FUND BALANCES AND RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS

Fund	Opening balance	Income	Expend.	Transfer	Closing balance
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund	2,184,990	152,225	(194,733)	52,745	2,195,227
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	2,184,990	152,225	(194,733)	52,745	2,195,227
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Restricted Funds					
Building Fund	78,003	64,212	(6)	(51,926)	90,283
Bible Study Fellowship	313	4,738	(4,450)	(400)	201
Bowling Club	1,160	625	(63)	-	1,722
Boys' Brigade	2,917	643	(962)	-	2,598
Crochet-Knitting Club	83	321	(90)	(300)	14
Girls' Brigade	2,631	6,789	(5,274)	(200)	3,946
JAM – Sunday School	3,053	747	(770)	200	3,230
Men's Fellowship	-	379	(329)	-	50
Presbyterian Women	1,481	2,954	(1,331)	(1,500)	1,604
Young at Heart	1,880	84	(399)	-	1,565
Special Offerings	1,264	17,839	(18,992)	1,381	1,492
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	92,785	99,331	(32,666)	(52,745)	106,705
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Total	2,277,775	251,556	(227,399)	-	2,301,932
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18. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Two of the trustees, the minister and a caretaker of the congregation received remuneration of £46,327 and expenses of £6,382 for acting in their capacity. Pension contributions of £9,013 were paid by the congregation in respect of the minister to the Presbyterian Church in Ireland Pension Scheme (2009). The Minister also receives the income from the annual rental of Church lands. Rents paid to him in this year amounted to £450.

None of the other trustees received any remuneration.

During the year, the Church received and paid amounts to the Funds of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland a separate charity. These are included within special offerings. Transaction during the year are as follows:

	Fund Balance at 01/01/22	Income	Paid out	Transfers from general fund	Fund Balance at 31/12/22
United Appeal	828	10,120	(11,337)	1,381	992
World Development Appeal	435	63	-	-	498
Moderator's appeal	-	7,656	(7,656)	-	-

The congregation also contributed £13,652 for congregational assessments and £1,007 towards Presbyterian Assessments during the year.

There were no other related party transactions.

Moira Congregation of the presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105174

Annual report

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 including a Balance Sheet as at that date.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Moira Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland
18 Meeting Street,
Moira,
BT67 0NR

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105174)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

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

Ian Watson
Benny Lyness
Thomas McGeown
Sam Brockbank
Dr. Harold Rice
James Logan

Richard Brown
Roy McCleary
Wilfred Dunlop
Jackson Blakely
Rev D Howard Gilpin

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Minister
Clerk of Session
Treasurers

Rev D Howard Gilpin
Ian Watson
Ivan Barnett / Roy McCleary

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STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

The Kirk Session

The charity trustees of the congregation are the members of its Kirk Session. Under the congregation's governing document, The Code, the book of the constitution and government of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Kirk Session seeks to watch over and promote the spiritual interest of the congregation and of persons not connected with any congregation who are within its bounds. It ensures pastoral care is in place in the congregation and seeks to further the contribution of the Church to Christian witness and service in the local community. The Kirk Session has delegated to its Congregational Committee the temporal affairs of the congregation including administering all funds and property belonging to the congregation. Members of the Kirk Session are ex-officio members of the Congregational Committee.

The Kirk Session consists of the ordained minister and the ruling elders. In March 2023 we will welcome a further 4 Elders on to Session after an election in 2022. 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 five times during the 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. Moira Presbyterian Church has been assigned to the Dromore Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The membership of the Presbytery consists mainly of the active ministers of congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly, ministers who have retired from active duty and an elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation.

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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, administrative and judicial authority, in dealing with all matters brought before it. The General Assembly is normally constituted during the first week in June for worship and to conduct its business. At the end of business, it is dissolved. The membership of the General Assembly consists mainly of the active ministers of each congregation, retired ministers and a representative elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation.

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE

Moirá Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The Presbyterian Church in Ireland, as a Reformed Church within the wider body of Christ is grounded in the Scriptures and exists to love and honour God through faith in His Son and by the power of His Spirit, and to enable her members to play their part in fulfilling God's mission to our world.

The congregation's mission purpose is to seek to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ by word and by action. We believe in the importance of preaching, what is biblical, relevant and applicable to living in the 21st Century. We believe in the vital importance of individual and corporate prayer in the life of our congregation. We believe in the importance of evangelism as Jesus commands us to.... "go and make disciples of all nations" and to... "be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1vs8). Together we aim to obey Jesus' call to local and international mission. We believe in the importance of being a warm and welcoming Christian community promoting fellowship between people of all ages. We believe in the importance of praise that is God centred and biblical and believe that singing praise to God is a witness in itself (Acts 16 vs25). It is also a means of spiritual encouragement (Coloss. 3 vs16).

As a multi-generational denomination, we believe there is a place for all generations in our Church family. We recognise the importance of welcoming all families to our congregation and will seek to identify and support family needs and integration into church life. We will achieve this by means of organised activities, events, Church Services and provide opportunities to share ideas that help shape the future of our Church. We believe

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in providing sensitive and loving pastoral care (1 Thess. 2 vs7-8) for all those not only within the congregation but any who venture into our building and who express a need for such care. We desire to be Christ centred and people orientated in our approach and we will offer Christian compassion and grace to all those who come under our care.

We believe it is important to recognise that our Church is a living, spiritual organisation that needs to be managed through a structure of different roles, policies, procedures and systems to achieve God's purpose for his Church in Moira. It is important that leaders take responsibility for the spiritual and temporal governance of Church activities in accordance with Christian principles and legal obligations.

ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

The congregation meets for worship every Sunday and visitors are welcome to join. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is observed on four occasions during the year and all those who have been baptised and who have made a profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are admitted to the Lord's Supper. The congregation holds regular Bible Study meetings and has a wide range of organisations including:

- Sunday School
- Boys' Brigade
- Girls' Brigade
- Badminton Club
- Bowling Club
- Friday Morning Prayer Group
- Home Bible Study and Prayer Groups
- Crochet Club
- Presbyterian Women
- Choir & Praise Group
- Men's Fellowship
- Youth Fellowship
- Young at Heart Senior Citizens
- Cycle Group

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

The congregation normally meets for worship each Sunday at 11.00am and monthly at 6.30pm. During the week the Bible Study provides an opportunity for members to meet together for fellowship, to study the scriptures and for a time of prayer.

As well as our regular services during the year we acknowledged God's gift of new life at 2 Sacraments of Baptism. We gave thanks for faithful services and sought to comfort those who had been bereaved during the year.

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At 31 December 2022 there were 276 communicant members and 298 families connected with the congregations. The average weekly attendance at morning worship was 220.

Pastoral care

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

Mission and outreach

At a local level, as a congregation we want to reach people in Moira for God, to tell them about God's love for everyone and the good news of the gospel. We plan to discover what the people in our community today need most, and how we can demonstrate God's answer to these needs in real practical ways. We are using the Umoja process for church and community mobilisation as an additional tool to help us reach the community in Moira. Internationally we will continue to support Presbyterian missionaries and other mission organisations such as Tearfund and Christian Aid.

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

Presbytery

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

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General Assembly

The minister was nominated to attend the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland held in Assembly Buildings, Belfast, in June.

Organisations

- ❖ On Sunday mornings during the main Church service the Sunday School meets in our Church halls comprising of c20 children and teenagers.
- ❖ On Monday evenings the Boys' Brigade meets in the Church Halls. This comprises of c40 boys and teenagers.
- ❖ On Wednesday evenings the Bowling Club meets in the Church Halls comprising of c30 members.
- ❖ On Wednesday evenings the Bible Study and Prayer Fellowship meets in the Upper Room, in the new Church building comprising of c40 members.
- ❖ On Thursday evenings the Girls' Brigade meets in the Church Halls comprising of c55 members.
- ❖ Moira Presbyterian Women (PW) meets on the third Tuesday of each month in the Upper room. The PW is led by a Group Leader and a committee of eight who are elected annually by the members. There are approximately 30 to 40 ladies in attendance at each meeting.

Volunteers

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

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.

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The direct benefits which flow from the purposes of the Church include the gaining of an understanding in Christian beliefs as set out in the Bible and in the Church's subordinate standards, (the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Shorter and Larger Catechisms), leading to spiritual and moral development and opportunities for response to Bible teaching. In turn, this framework leads to practical expressions of Christian beliefs and standards in the local community such as through the care of those in need, (including the sick, disabled and bereaved).

Generally, the above benefits are delivered locally by congregations and their members or are facilitated through presbyteries or are organised and delivered centrally. Local delivery is facilitated by central resources in almost all cases. Public access is made known through the use of noticeboards, printed material, press advertisement, websites, and social media or in other ways.

The benefits are demonstrated through regular evaluation of the services and informal and ad-hoc feedback from members, their families, and members of the public.

The purpose does not lead to harm. The only private benefit flowing from our purpose is related to Ministers, Missionaries, Deaconesses, Irish Mission workers and Lay Agents who receive benefits as a result of their holding office or employment. However, this is incidental and necessary in order to further our charitable purpose. There are no other private benefits. The beneficiaries of this purpose are members, their families, other individuals that the Presbyterian Church in Ireland is in direct and indirect contact with, the community in which pastoral services are provided and other communities throughout Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, and worldwide which benefit from our engagement with and support for both Christian and other secular organisations, charities and individual members of the public.

The Kirk Session has had regard to the Charity Commissions public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The congregation's main source of income is members' contributions through the Weekly Freewill Offering. There were 240 contributors during the year (276 in previous year, 2021) donating a total of £108,270 (£108,745 in previous year, 2021)

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Total Income of the congregation during the year was £251,556 compared to £234,532 in the previous year. (2021)

Total expenditure increased from £198,901 (2021) to £227,399, less than a 15% increase.

RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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

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

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

GOING CONCERN

The activities of the congregation are dependent on ongoing contributions from its members. The Trustees are of the opinion that the congregation has sufficient resources at the date of approval of these financial statements to meet commitments which will arise in the year from the date of signing this report and subject to the continuing support from members to be able to fund, on an ongoing basis the congregation's current activities and other financial commitments.

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RESERVES POLICY

The Trustees have considered the level of unrestricted net current assets that it is appropriate to hold, taking account of current and ongoing commitments. It is the policy of the Trustees to hold at least 4 month's unrestricted expenditure. At the year end net current assets (excluding loan amounts) were £131,710 which represents a higher level of reserves than the four months amount of £64,911. The Trustees consider it prudent to maintain the net current assets to a level equivalent to or above four month's unrestricted expenditure.

RISK REVIEW

A review of major risks has been undertaken by the Trustees and systems and procedures implemented to manage identified risks. The principal risks are in relation to the likelihood of reputational damage and financial risks associated with the expectation of ongoing financial support from members. These risks are mitigated by the Trustees, and the Congregational Committee, regularly monitoring the various activities of the congregation at stated meetings and by encouraging members in their regular giving.

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 16 May 2023 and signed on its behalf by

Rev. D Howard Gilpin

D. Howard Gilpin
16th May 2023

Mr. Ian Watson

Ian Watson
16/ May / 2023

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I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 set out on pages thirteen to twenty nine.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees 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
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the 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 Charities 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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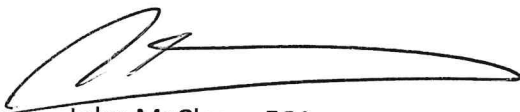
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Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeds £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants which is one of the listed bodies.

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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Date: 16 May 2023