

Donemana Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland · Charity number 105627

Details

Status	Received
Registered	2016-08-10
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

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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	£124,002	£107,068	£0	1

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr Archie Fullerton		
Mr Alexander Kerrigan		
Mr Frederick Joseph Gamble		
Mr Kenneth James Holmes		
Mr Ross Smyth		
Mr Thomas Allen		
Mr Trevor Allen		
Mr William Alan Holden		
Mr William Joseph Smyth		
Seth Wright		

Accounts

DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY (Receipts and Payments Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
		£	£	£	£	£
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	2	99516	9333		108849	106704
Charitable activities	3		15153		15153	23787
Other trading activities	4					
Investment Income	5					
Other	6					
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Sale of Investments						
Sale of fixed assets						
Loans Received						
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total Receipts		99516	24486		124002	130491
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Payments						
Raising funds	7	1500			1500	1464
Charitable activities	8	86,474	19094		105568	103665
Investment costs						
Other	9					
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Purchase of Investments						
Purchase of fixed assets						
Loan Repayments						
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total Payments		87974	19094		107068	105129
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Net receipts / (payments)		11542	5392	-	16934	25362
Transfers between funds		200	-200		0	0
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Net movement in funds		11742	5192	2935	19869	38015

Funds brought forward		186224	63575	88090	337889	299874
Funds carried forward	12	----- 197966 =====	----- 68767 =====	----- 91025 =====	----- 357758 =====	----- 337889 =====

DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

As at 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Funds Reconciliation					
Bank and Cash at start of year	186224	63575	88090	337889	299874
Net movement in funds	11415	5519	2935	19869	38015
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Bank and Cash at end of year	197639	69094	91025	357758	337889
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Bank & Cash Balances					
Bank Deposit Accounts				91025	88090
Bank Current Accounts				266733	249799
Cash in Hand					
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				357758	337889
				=====	=====
Other Assets					
Fixed Assets – Note 10					
- Church Premises				2546086	2424843
- Church Hall				1309708	1247341
- Manse				829395	789890
Investments – Note 11					
Gift Aid receivable on donations					
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				4685189	4462074
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Liabilities					
Loans					
Other					
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Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 21st October 2025 and signed on its behalf by

[Name] *Trevor Allen*

[Name] *S-IA Wright*

DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
31 December 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

FUND ACCOUNTING

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be retained either permanently or at the congregation's discretion; the income derived from the endowment is to be used either 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.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Recorded giving:	78116	8413		86529	84589
Loose collections	720			720	427
Donations and gifts	6335			6335	6769
Gift Aid	13162	920		14082	13984
Legacies and bequest	1183			1183	935
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	99516	9333		108849	106704
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DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

31 December 2024

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Income from charitable activities		15153		15153	23787
Fees from weddings and funerals					
Fundraising events					
Membership fees					
Grants					
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		15153		15153	23787
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4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Letting of premises					
Trading income					
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5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Deposit interest					
General Investment Fund					
Rents investment properties					
Other investment income					
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DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2024

6. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Insurance claims					
Other income					
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7. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
FWO envelopes	1500			1500	1464
Fundraising events					
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	1500			1500	1464
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8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
General Assembly Assessments	17429			17429	8064
Presbytery fees	1030			1030	960
Ministry and support staff costs	39632			39632	46466
Congregational running expenses	29883	3829		33712	36760
Property Repairs		3113		3113	847
Donations to Missions and charities		12152		12152	10568
Governance costs					
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	87974	19094		107068	103665
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DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2024

9. OTHER EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Investment properties expenses	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
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10. FIXED ASSETS

The congregation owns the Church premises situated at Donemana and the associated fixtures, fittings, plant and machinery. These have an insurance value of £4,685,189 at last renewal date.

11. INVESTMENTS

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

	2024 £	2023 £
General Investment Fund	91025	88090
Property		
Other investments		
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	91025	88090
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DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2024

12. FUND BALANCES

Fund	Balance at start £	Receipts £	Payment £	Surplus / (Deficit) £	Transfer £	Balance at end £
Unrestricted Funds						
No 1 Account	186224	99516	87624	11415	477	197639
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	186224	99516	87624	11415	477	197639
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Restricted Funds						
United Appeal		8605	9282		-677	0
Presbyterian Children's Society	0	539	539	0		0
Mission Africa/World Development	0	1304	1304			0
Poppy Appeal	0	459	459	0		0
	0					
Mens Shed	0	568	568	0		0
Bowling Club	759	195	222	-127	100	632
Presbyterian Woman	2270	980	898	-18	100	2252
Sunday school	7950	2503	3059	-556		7394
Girls Brigade	3196	0	0	0		3196
Boys Brigade	1659	0	0			1659
Renovation Fund	12823	167		167		12990
Repair & Building Fund	34918	9166	3113	6053		40971
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	63575	24486	19444	5519	-477	69094
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Endowment Funds						
General Investment Fund	88090	2935				91025
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Endowment Funds	88090	2935				91025
General Investment Funds						
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Total	337889	126937	107068	16934		357758
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Accounts

DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY (Receipts and Payments Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
		£	£	£	£	£
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	2	93856	12848		106704	102161
Charitable activities	3		23787		23787	13793
Other trading activities	4					
Investment Income	5					
Other	6					
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Sale of Investments						
Sale of fixed assets						
Loans Received						
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total Receipts		93856	36635		130491	115954
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Payments						
Raising funds	7	1464				1464
Charitable activities	8	81680	21985		103665	89300
Investment costs						5100
Other	9					
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Purchase of Investments						
Purchase of fixed assets						
Loan Repayments						
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total Payments		83144	21985		105129	95864
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Net receipts / (payments)		10712	14650	-	25362	20090
Transfers between funds		200	-200		0	0
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Net movement in funds		10912	14450	12653	38015	20090

Funds brought forward		175312	49125	75437	299874	279784
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Funds carried forward	12	186224	63575	88090	337889	299874
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DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

As at 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Funds Reconciliation					
Bank and Cash at start of year	175312	49125	75437	299874	279784
Net movement in funds	10912	14450	12653	38015	20090
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Bank and Cash at end of year	186224	63575	88090	337889	299874
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Bank & Cash Balances					
Bank Deposit Accounts				88090	75437
Bank Current Accounts				249799	224437
Cash in Hand				-----	-----
				337889	299874
				=====	=====
Other Assets					
Fixed Assets – Note 10					
- Church Premises				2424843	2255669
- Church Hall				1247341	1160317
- Manse				789890	734792
Investments – Note 11					
Gift Aid receivable on donations				-----	-----
				4462074	4150778
				=====	=====
Liabilities					
Loans					
Other					

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 22nd October 2024 and signed on its behalf by

[Name]

S. A. Wright

[Name]

Trevor Allen.

DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

31 December 2023

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2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Recorded giving:	72521	12068		84589	86330
Loose collections	427			427	341
Donations and gifts	6769			6769	1944
Gift Aid	13204	780		13984	12576
Legacies and bequest	935			935	970
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	93856	12848		106704	102161
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DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

31 December 2023

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Income from charitable activities		23787		23787	13793
Fees from weddings and funerals					
Fundraising events					
Membership fees					
Grants					
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
		23787		23787	13793
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Letting of premises					
Trading income					
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	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Deposit interest					
General Investment Fund					
Rents investment properties					
Other investment income					
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DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2023

6. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Insurance claims	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Other income	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

7. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
FWO envelopes	1464			1464	1464
Fundraising events	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	1464			1464	1464
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
General Assembly Assessments	8064			8064	13887
Presbytery fees	960			960	979
Ministry and support staff costs	46466			46466	26363
Congregational running expenses	26190	10570		36760	32324
Property Repairs		847		847	5407
Donations to Missions and charities		10568		10568	11804

Governance costs

81680	21985		103665	90764

DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2023

9. OTHER EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Investment properties expenses	-----	-----	-----	-----	5100
	-----	-----	-----	-----	5100

10. FIXED ASSETS

The congregation owns the Church premises situated at Donemana and the associated fixtures, fittings, plant and machinery. These have an insurance value of £4,462,074 at last renewal date.

11. INVESTMENTS

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

	2023 £	2022 £
General Investment Fund	88090	75437
Property		
Other investments		
	-----	-----
	88090	75437

DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2023

12. FUND BALANCES

Fund	Balance at start	Receipts	Payment	Surplus / (Deficit)	Transfer	Balance at end
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds						
No 1 Account	175312	93856	83144	10912	-200	186224
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	175312	93856	83144	10912	-200	186224
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Restricted Funds						
United Appeal	0	7723	7723			0
Presbyterian Children's Society	0	585	585			0
Mission Africa/World Development	0	1192	1192			0
Poppy Appeal	0	388	388			0
	0					
Appeal for Turkey	0	680	680			0
Bowling Club	781	202	124	-22	100	759
Presbyterian Woman	1837	1685	1152	433	100	2270
Sunday school	5900	11332	9282	2050		7950
Girls Brigade	3196	0	0			3196
Boys Brigade	1659	0	0			1659
Youth Club	12	0	12	-12		0
Renovation Fund	11350	1473	0	1473		12823
Repair & Building Fund	24390	11375	847	10528		34918
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	49125	36635	21985	14450	200	63575
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Endowment Funds						
General Investment Fund	75437	12653				88090

Endowment Funds	75437	12653				88090
General Investment Funds						
Total	299874	143144	105129	25362		337889

Donemana Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105627

Annual report

DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

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

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland NIC105627

DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

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

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Donemana congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland
Church View
Donemana
BT82 0PB

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105627)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

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

Rev Dr S Wright	Dr A Fullerton
Mr F Gamble	Mr W Smyth
Mr A Holden	Mr TA Allen
Mr T Allen	Mr K Holmes
Mr A Kerrigan	Mr R Smyth

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Minister	Rev Dr S Wright
Clerk of Session	Mr F Gamble
Treasurer	Mr T Allen

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Mrs R O'Neill, 166 Duncastle Rd, Donemana BT82 0LP

BANKERS

Ulster Bank Ltd, 29 Abercorn Sq, Strabane BT82 8AL

SOLICITORS

McCay Solicitors, 8N Edward St, Londonderry BT48 7EF

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

STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

The Kirk Session

The charity trustees of the congregation are the members of its Kirk Session. Under the congregation's governing document, The Code, the book of the constitution and government of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Kirk Session seeks to watch over and promote the spiritual interest of the congregation and of persons not connected with any congregation who are within its bounds. It ensures pastoral care is in place in the congregation and seeks to further the contribution of the Church to Christian witness and service in the local community. The Kirk Sessions 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 congregations. All members are entitled to propose, speak and exercise equal votes at meetings, except that the Moderator, the ministers in active duty in the congregation, has no deliberative but only a casting vote.

Stated meetings of the Kirk session are held least twice in each year or as appropriate.

To be chosen for the office of the eldership in the congregation a person must be a voting member and a regular attendant on its ordinances. The selection of those proposed to be called to the office can be either by the congregation or by the Kirk Session. Members are elected if they obtain two-thirds of those who vote.

Presbytery

Under the Presbyterian Church in Ireland form of governance the corporate oversight of a congregation is the responsibility of a Presbytery which superintends generally the spiritual and temporal affairs of the congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland.

Donemanacongregation of the Presbyterian Church has been assigned to the Derry and DonegalPresbytery 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, minsters who have retired from active duty and an elder appointed by the Kirk Session of the congregation.

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

The General Assembly

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

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE

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

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

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

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

The congregation aims to live out its Mission and Vision as a family of God's people by being:

- A Covenant Community: where our relationships are rooted in the promises of God by living faithfully toward him and toward one another
- An Intergenerational Community: where adults intentionally take the lead to engage with, encourage and nurture younger members to maturity in Christ.
- An Outward looking Community: where we want the blessings of God that belong to us in the gospel to become blessings for others beyond the bounds of our community.
- As a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, we believe that the Bible is the supreme authority over all we do, and that the Westminster Confession of Faith, along with the Larger and Shorter Catechisms set out what we understand the Bible teaches on key matters of Christian faith and practice.

DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

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
- Bowling Club
- Midweek Fellowship
- Presbyterian Women
- Ladies Bible Study
- DPC Youth

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

The congregation normally meets for worship each Sunday at 11.30am Sep-Jun and 11am Jul-Aug. During the week the Midweek Fellowship 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 6 Sacraments of Baptism and gave thanks for faithful services and sought to comfort those who had been bereaved during the year.

At 31 December 2023 there were 540 communicant members and 297 families connected with the congregation.

The average week attendance at morning worship is 96 still not returned to pre pandemic numbers.

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.

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

Mission and outreach

At a local level the congregation provides outreach to the local community through personal witness, participation and hospitality at various community events. Our services of worship, weekly organisations, seasonal and special events are open to our whole community. These are advertised locally by word of mouth, printed materials and/or social media.

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, assist 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.

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

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

FINANCIAL REVIEW

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Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 22nd October 2024 and signed on its behalf by

[Name]



[Name]



Donemana Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105627

Annual return

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

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023, which are set out on pages 1 to 21. Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner. As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to: • examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act • follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act • state whether particular matters have come to my attention. Basis of independent examiner's report I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

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

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

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached. CCNI ARR07 – supporting document Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Signed.....*Roberta O'Neill*.....

Roberta O'Neill

Honorary Auditor

18th October 2024

Accounts

DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY (Receipts and Payments Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
		£	£	£	£	£
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	2	90437	11724		102161	92536
Charitable activities	3		13793		13793	8719
Other trading activities	4					
Investment Income	5					
Other	6					
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Sale of investments						
Sale of fixed assets						
Loans Received						
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total Receipts		90437	25517		115954	101255
Payments						
Raising funds	7	1464			1464	1409
Charitable activities	8	69696	19602		89300	44876
Investment costs						
Other	9			5100	5100	
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Purchase of investments						
Purchase of fixed assets						
Loan Repayments						
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total Payments		71162	19602	5100	95864	46285
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Net receipts / (payments)		19275	5915	-5100	20090	54970
Transfers between funds		150	-150		0	0
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Net movement in funds		19425	5765	-5100	20090	62044

Funds brought forward		155887	43360	80537	279784	217741
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Funds carried forward	12	175312	49125	75437	299874	279785
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DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

As at 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Funds Reconciliation					
Bank and Cash at start of year	155887	43360	80537	279784	217741
Net movement in funds	19425	5765	-5100	20090	62043
Bank and Cash at end of year	175312	49125	75437	299874	279784
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Bank & Cash Balances					
Bank Deposit Accounts				75437	80537
Bank Current Accounts				224437	199247
Cash in Hand					
				299874	279784
				=====	=====
Other Assets					
Fixed Assets – Note 10					
- Church Premises				2255669	2098296
- Church Hall				1160317	1079365
- Manse				734792	683526
Investments – Note 11					
Gift Aid receivable on donations					
				4150778	3861187
				=====	=====
Liabilities					
Loans					
Other					
				=====	=====

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Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 30th May 2023 and signed on its behalf by

[Name]

S. A. Wright

[Name]

Trevor Allen

DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

31 December 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

FUND ACCOUNTING

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be retained either permanently or at the congregation's discretion; the income derived from the endowment is to be used either 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.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Recorded giving:	75440	10890		86330	87677
Loose collections	341			341	170
Donations and gifts	1944			1944	0
Gift Aid	11742	834		12576	12473
Legacies and bequest	970			970	934
	90437	11724		102161	101254

DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

31 December 2022

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Income from charitable activities		13793		13793	8719
Fees from weddings and funerals					
Fundraising events					
Membership fees					
Grants					
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		13793		13793	8719
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4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Letting of premises					
Trading income					
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5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Deposit interest					
General Investment Fund					
Rents investment properties					
Other investment income					
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DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2022

6. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Insurance claims	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Other income	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

7. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
FWO envelopes	1464			1464	1409
Fundraising events	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	1464			1464	1409

8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
General Assembly Assessments	13887			13887	8685
Presbytery fees	979			979	979
Ministry and support staff costs	26363			26363	8008
Congregational running expenses	29933	2391		32324	19436
Property Repairs		5407		5407	458
Donations to Missions and charities		11804		11804	8719

Governance costs

71162	19602		90764	46285
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DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2022

9. OTHER EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Investment expenses			5100	5100	
			5100	5100	

10. FIXED ASSETS

The congregation owns the Church premises situated at Donemana and the associated fixtures, fittings, plant and machinery. These have an insurance value of £4,150,778 at last renewal date.

11. INVESTMENTS

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

	2022 £	2021 £
General Investment Fund	75437	80537
Property		
Other investments		
	75437	80537

DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2022

12. FUND BALANCES

Fund	Balance at start	Receipts	Payment	Surplus / (Deficit)	Transfer	Balance at end
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds						
No 1 Account	155887	90437	71162	19425	-150	175312
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	155887	90437	71162	19425	-150	175312
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Restricted Funds						
United Appeal	0	6911	6911			0
Students Bursary Fund	0	802	802			0
Moderator Appeal	0	2284	2284			0
Poppy Appeal	0	331	331			0
Presbyterian Children's Society	0	325	325			0
Mission Africa/World Development	0	1151	1151			0
Bowling Club	959	135	213	-178	100	781
Presbyterian Woman	2056	637	806	-219	50	1837
Sunday school	6035	1217	1352	-135		5900
Girls Brigade	3216	0	20	-20		3196
Boys Brigade	1659	0	0			1659
Youth Club	12	0	0	-		12
Renovation Fund	6336	5014	0	5014		11350
Repair & Building Fund	23087	6710	5407	1303		24390
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	43360	25517	19602	5765	150	49125
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Donemana Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105627

Annual report

DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

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

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland NIC105627

DONEMANA CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

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

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Donemana congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland
Church View
Donemana
BT82 0PB

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105627)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

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

Rev Dr S Wright	Mr A Fullerton
Mr F Gamble	Mr W Smyth
Mr A Holden	Mr TA Allen
Mr T Allen	Mr K Holmes
Mr A Kerrigan	Mr R Smyth

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Minister	Rev Dr S Wright
Clerk of Session	Mr F Gamble
Treasurer	Mr T Allen

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Mrs R O'Neill, 166 Duncastle Rd, Donemana BT82 0LP

BANKERS

Ulster Bank Ltd, 29 Abercorn Sq, Strabane BT82 8AL

SOLICITORS

McCay Solicitors, 8N Edward St, Londonderry BT48 7EF

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

STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

The Kirk Session

The charity trustees of the congregation are the members of its Kirk Session. Under the congregation's governing document, The Code, the book of the constitution and government of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Kirk Session seeks to watch over and promote the spiritual interest of the congregation and of persons not connected with any congregation who are within its bounds. It ensures pastoral care is in place in the congregation and seeks to further the contribution of the Church to Christian witness and service in the local community. The Kirk Sessions 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 congregations. All members are entitled to propose, speak and exercise equal votes at meetings, except that the Moderator, the ministers in active duty in the congregation, has no deliberative but only a casting vote.

Stated meetings of the Kirk session are held least twice in each year or as appropriate. To be chosen for the office of the eldership in the congregation a person must be a voting member and a regular attendant on its ordinances. The selection of those proposed to be called to the office can be either by the congregation or by the Kirk Session. Members are elected if they obtain two-thirds of the votes cast.

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. Donemana Congregation of the Presbyterian Church has been assigned to the Derry and Donegal Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The membership of the Presbytery consists mainly of the active ministers of congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly, ministers who have retired from active duty and an elder appointed by the Kirk Session of the congregation.

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

The General Assembly

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

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE

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

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

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

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

The congregation aims to live out its Mission and Vision as a family of God's people by being:

- A Covenant Community: where our relationships are rooted in the promises of God by living faithfully toward him and toward one another
- An Intergenerational Community: where adults intentionally take the lead to engage with, encourage and nurture younger members to maturity in Christ.
- An Outward looking Community: where we want the blessings of God that belong to us in the gospel to become blessings for others beyond the bounds of our community.
- As a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, we believe that the Bible is the supreme authority over all we do, and that the Westminster Confession of Faith, along with the Larger and Shorter Catechisms set out what we understand the Bible teaches on key matters of Christian faith and practice.

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

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 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
- Bowling Club
- Midweek Fellowship
- Presbyterian Women
- Ladies Bible Study
- DPC Men
- DPC Youth
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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

The congregation normally meets for worship each Sunday at 11.30am Sep-Jun and 11am Jul-Aug. During the week the Midweek Fellowship 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 6 Sacraments of Baptism and gave thanks for faithful services and sought to comfort those who had been bereaved during the year.

At 31 December 2022 there were 546 communicant members and 298 families connected with the congregation.

The average week attendance at morning worship is 105 still not returned to pre-pandemic numbers.

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 and elders. Our congregation's pastoral care also includes intercessory prayers at worship services, weddings and wedding preparation, as well as funerals.

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

Mission and outreach

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Donemana Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105627

Annual return

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

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2022, which are set out on pages 1 to 21. Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner. As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to: • examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act • follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act • state whether particular matters have come to my attention. Basis of independent examiner's report I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

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

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

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached. CCNI ARR07 – supporting document Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Signed...*Roberta O'Neill*.....

Roberta O'Neill

Honorary Auditor

20th March 2023