

Trustee Annual Report

Name of Charity	<i>The John Wilson Memorial Trust</i>
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Charity Reg. Number	<i>NIC105836</i>
Financial Year Start Date	<i>01 April 2024</i>
Financial Year End Date	<i>31 March 2025</i>

The Purpose of your Charity	<p><i>The promotion of charitable deeds and good works in the Portadown vicinity, Northern Ireland and the UK & ROI through supporting charities and trusts in their efforts. This support may come in the form of promoting and encouraging, raising money for and awarding grants to those charities and Trusts, providing their purposes are charitable in nature.</i></p> <p><i>To carry out any other charitable good works that the Trust decides.</i></p>
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The principal address of the Charity	<p><i>The John Wilson Memorial Trust, c/o Ulster Carpets, Castleisland Factory, Garvaghy Road, Craigavon, County Armagh, BT62 1EE</i></p>
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The names of all Charity Trustees	<p><i>John A Wilson</i></p> <p><i>Nicholas DG Coburn</i></p> <p><i>Simon A Wilson</i></p> <p><i>David R Acheson</i></p> <p><i>Caroline J Somerville</i></p> <p><i>Jeremy EB Wilson</i></p> <p><i>Caroline M Auchmuty</i></p>
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A summary of the Charity's main activities and achievements in the year	<p><i>During the year, the charity made 7 grant donations totalling £43,900.</i></p> <p><i>The largest element of the funding went to Cancer Focus NI, with £30,000 given towards the completion of their Fermanagh Cancer Support Centre in Enniskillen. This centre has made a massive difference to cancer services in what was previously an under supported part of Northern Ireland. A further amount of £100 was given towards Cancer Focus NI's fundraising golf day.</i></p>
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	<p>A grant of £4,300 was given to Star NI, following on from an initial funding amount of £10,000 in the 2022/2023 Financial Year. Star NI, a Portadown based charity, provides therapeutic services to children, adolescents and families affected by sexual abuse.</p> <p>An amount of £500 was given to PiPs Hope & Support, as a runner up prize from the Trust's Schools Charity Challenge run in February 2024. PiPs were changing bank account, so the payment was delayed. PiPs provides therapy and support to anyone struggling with mental health issues and in danger of committing suicide, as well as supporting families that suicide has affected.</p> <p>The Schools Charity Challenge ran again in March 2025. The winning school entry put Barnardos forward, and an amount of £5,000 was given to support Barnardos' work in Northern Ireland with vulnerable children. The runners up were not paid their awards by 31st March 2025 but fall into the start of 2025/26 Financial Year.</p> <p>There were two further awards made at the suggestion of Ulster Carpets employees:</p> <p>A grant of £2,000 was given to the Brain Injury Foundation, at the suggestion of Isaac McIlroy. The Brain Injury Foundation is a Northern Ireland based charity providing support and services for people suffering with acquired brain injury, including help and resources for their carers.</p> <p>A grant of £2,000 was made to Bourneville Mill FC at the suggestion of John Gallagher. Particular consideration as to the public benefit requirement was given, as Bournville Mill is not a registered charity. However, as the funding was specifically for the club to invest in a new youth football programme (with training equipment and training kits funded) open to all in the community, it was deemed to be meeting the threshold.</p>
Meeting the Public Benefit Requirement	<p>It is the opinion of the Trustees that, having considered the nature of the grants made during the year, that the public benefit requirement has been met.</p>

<p>A review of the Charity's financial position at the end of the year</p>	<p><i>The Charity closed the year with £95,032, and is in a satisfactory position. Ulster Carpets has indicated continued funding for the next financial year.</i></p> <p><i>There are no funds held by the Charity that are materially in deficit at the end of the year.</i></p>
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<p>Signed by:</p> <p>David Acheson</p> <p>Nick Coburn</p>	 
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