

Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company

Northern Ireland · Charity number 105987

Details

Status	Received
Company number	635831
Registered	2017-01-17
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

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Activities

Purposes: The Company's objects are specifically restricted to the advancement of education, the promotion of heritage and culture and the promotion for the benefit of the inhabitants (hereinafter called the "beneficiaries") of Donaghadee and its environs of Co. Down, Northern Ireland (hereinafter called the "area of benefit") by the conservation, rehabilitation, restoration, improvement, maintenance and protection of the Sir Samuel Kelly Lifeboat and in particular: (a) To acquire, protect, restore, preserve, promote and exhibit for the public benefit the Sir Samuel Kelly Lifeboat and other boats, forms of transport, historical artefacts ancillary equipment and property of historical and educational interest in the area of benefit; (b) to establish, maintain and manage a museum and educational resource centre for the acquisition, restoration, preservation, archiving and public display of artefacts and documents of educational, historical and cultural interest and other items illustrating the history and heritage of the Sir Samuel Kelly Lifeboat and associated memorabilia in the area of benefit; (c) to advance education and encourage appreciation within the area of benefit on all matters relating to Donaghadee and the history of the Sir Samuel Kelly Lifeboat through exhibitions, workshops, lectures and other forms of educational medium. (d) to advance any other exclusively charitable purpose as the directors, may from time to time, decide in accordance with the law of charity.

What the charity does: The advancement of education, The advancement of citizenship or community development, The advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science

How the charity works: Heritage/historical

Who the charity helps: General public

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£46,557	£50,398	£0	1

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mr Christopher John Adrian Chivers		
Mr Edward Alan Couser		
Mr Quinton Nelson		
Mr Stephen Philip Cairns		
Mr Wesley Martin		
Mrs Patricia Burgess		
Mrs Sarah Shirley Cochrane		
Ms Dawn Petrie		

Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105987

Accounts

DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Activities in furtherance of charity's objectives:				
Grants receivable: - National Heritage Fund		36,000	36,000	45,000
Other grants	2,960		2,960	25,516
Activities for generating funds:				
Membership fees	785		785	610
Investment income	606		606	1,312
Other income	6,205		6,205	18,920
Total incoming resources	10,557	36,000	46,557	91,358
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Charitable expenditure:				
Costs in furtherance of charitable activities	1,990		1,990	1,163
Costs of boat restoration and preservation	0	32,272	32,272	22,912
Management and administration:				
Wages		8,907	8,907	0
Property repairs and maintenance	2,813		2,813	179
Website running costs	631		631	416
Bank charges	60		60	2
Insurances	1,300		1,300	1,060
Printing and stationery	725		725	934
Advertising	0		0	120
Sundry expenses	95		95	939
Depreciation	1,605		1,605	1,605
Loss on investments	0		0	0
Total resources expended	9,219	41,178	50,398	29,330
Net incoming resources for the year	1,337	-5,178	-3,841	62,030
Balances b/f	56,247	39,880	96,127	34,097
Balances c/f	57,584	34,702	92,286	96,127

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.




All of the activities of the charity are classified as continuing.

DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed Assets		8,001	9,606
Current Assets			
Stocks		681	681
Debtors and prepayments		1,511	1,300
Cash at Bank and in hand		82,989	85,025
		<u>85,181</u>	<u>87,006</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		<u>-895</u>	<u>-485</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>84,285</u>	<u>86,521</u>
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		<u>92,286</u>	<u>96,127</u>
Funds			
Unrestricted		57,584	56,247
Restricted		34,702	39,880
		<u>92,286</u>	<u>96,127</u>

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee on the and are signed on their behalf by:

	Mr EA Couser		Mrs P Burgess
Committee Position	Director	Committee Position	Director
	Mr W McAdam FCCA		
Accountant/Auditor	Stanley Woods & Co.		

Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105987

Accounts

Company Registration Number NI635831 (Northern Ireland)

DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY
INDEPENDENTLY EXAMINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

COMPANY INFORMATION

Directors	Mr C J A Chivers Mrs S S Cochrane Mr E A Couser Mr E N Johnston Mr I A Kirkpatrick Mr W Martin Mrs P Burgess Mr M Murray Mr Q Nelson	(Appointed 28 March 2023) (Appointed 10 July 2023)
Secretary	Mr C J A Chivers	
Company number	NI635831	
Registered office	5 Alexandra Road Doanaghadee Co. Down BT21 0QD	
Accountants	Stanley Woods & Co Alexander House 49 / 51 Church Street Newtownards Co Down BT23 4AN	

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DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

The directors present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023.

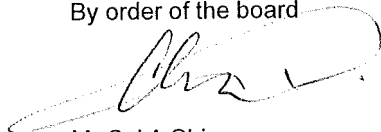
Directors

The directors who held office during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were as follows:

Mr J Caldwell	(Resigned 28 March 2023)
Mr C J A Chivers	
Mrs S S Cochrane	
Mr E A Couser	
Mr E N Johnston	
Mr I A Kirkpatrick	(Appointed 28 March 2023)
Mr W Martin	
Mrs P Burgess	
Mr M Murray	
Mr R Wheeler	(Resigned 28 March 2023)
Mr Q Nelson	(Appointed 10 July 2023)

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies' exemption.

By order of the board



Mr C J A Chivers
Secretary

7 March 2024

DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS ON THE PREPARATION OF THE UNAUDITED STATUTORY ACCOUNTS OF DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

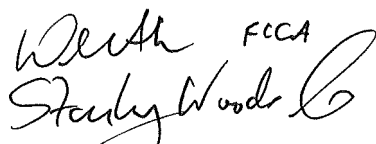
In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, we have prepared for your approval the financial statements of Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company for the year ended 31 December 2023, which comprise from the company's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given us.

As a practising member firm of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed at <https://www.accaglobal.com/gb/en/member/standards/rules-and-standards/rulebook.html>.

We have carried out an Independent Examination of the company's Financial Statements and records for the year ended 31 December 2023.

It is your duty to ensure that Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory financial statements that comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. You consider that Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit or a review of the financial statements of Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the statutory financial statements.



Stanley Woods & Co

Certified Accountants

7 March 2024

Alexander House
49 / 51 Church Street
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DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Activities in furtherance of charity's objectives:				
Grants receivable: - National Heritage Fund		45,000	45,000	0
Other grants	25,516		25,516	7,970
Activities for generating funds:				
Membership fees	610		610	550
Investment income	1,312		1,312	
Other income	18,920		18,920	3,998
Total incoming resources	46,359	45,000	91,359	12,517
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Charitable expenditure:				
Costs in furtherance of charitable activities	1,163		1,163	1,248
Costs of boat restoration and preservation	17,792	5,120	22,912	3,752
Management and administration:				
Property repairs and maintenance	179		179	6,858
Website running costs	416		416	44
Bank charges	2		2	0
Insurances	1,060		1,060	894
Printing and stationery	934		934	351
Advertising	120		120	0
Sundry expenses	939		939	348
Depreciation	1,605		1,605	1,605
Loss on investments	0		0	1,032
Total resources expended	24,210	5,120	29,330	16,132
Net incoming resources for the year	22,150	39,880	62,030	-3,615
Balances b/f	34,097	0	34,097	37,712
Balances c/f	56,247	39,880	96,127	34,097

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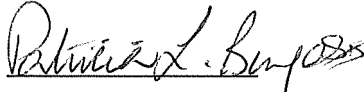
DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed Assets		9,606	11,211
Current Assets			
Stocks		681	0
Debtors and prepayments		1,300	942
Cash at Bank and in hand		85,025	21,945
		<u>87,006</u>	<u>22,887</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		<u>-485</u>	<u>0</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>86,521</u>	<u>22,887</u>
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		<u>96,127</u>	<u>34,097</u>
Funds			
Unrestricted		56,247	37,712
Restricted		<u>39,880</u>	<u>0</u>
		<u>96,127</u>	<u>37,712</u>

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee on the and are signed on their behalf by:

	Mr EA Couser		Mrs P Burgess
_____	Director	_____	Director
	Mr W McAdam FCCA		
_____	Accountant/Auditor	Stanley Woods & Co.	

Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105987

Annual report

DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY LTD

ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR 2023

Report of the Trustees

1. The Company

Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company is a not-for-profit company, incorporated in 2016. It registered in Northern Ireland as a company limited by guarantee (no. NI 635831) and registered also with the Northern Ireland Charity Commission (no. NIC 105987).

2. Reporting year

The Company's reporting year is the calendar year. In this report 'the year' means calendar 2023.

3. Directors/Trustees

The Directors of the Company and Trustees of the charity in the year were:

Alan Couser	(Chair)	Wesley Martin	(Vice Chair)
Patricia Burgess	(Treasurer)	Kit Chivers	(Secretary)
Anthony Skeats		Shirley Cochrane	
Quinton Nelson		Murdo Murray	
Noel Johnston		Ian Kirkpatrick	

The Board met monthly through the year. Arlene Matthews, Director of the North Down Museum, attended meetings of the Board as an observer.

4. The purpose of the Company

In accordance with its Memorandum of Association, the Company seeks to advance education and promote heritage and culture within Donaghadee and the surrounding area. In particular:

- a) to acquire, protect, restore, preserve, promote and exhibit for the public benefit the Sir Samuel Kelly Lifeboat and other boats, forms of transport, historical artefacts, ancillary equipment and property of historical and educational interest;
- b) to establish, maintain and manage a museum and educational resource centre for the acquisition, restoration, preservation, archiving and public display of artefacts and documents of educational, historical and cultural interest and other items illustrating the history and heritage of the Sir Samuel Kelly Lifeboat and associated memorabilia;
- c) to advance education and encourage appreciation within the area of benefit on all matters relating to Donaghadee and the history of the Sir Samuel Kelly Lifeboat through exhibitions, workshops, lectures and other forms of educational medium.

5. The activities and achievements of the Company

The Company can report considerable progress in 2023:

1. With financial help from the Kelly Family, the exterior painting of the boat was completed, including the re-galvanising of the stanchions and chains. We are indebted to John Moore for his work on the sealing and painting of the hull. The boat is now in a good state of conservation, although there is more work to be done on the interior and, for example, cleaning the engines and fitting out the cockpit.
2. With the help of a £10,000 grant from the Garfield Weston Foundation, we were able to install new displays around the interior walls of the boat shelter and a raised walkway from which visitors are able to view the boat at deck level. The design work was done by Mark Thompson and the displays themselves supplied by Black Sheep Ltd. The raised walkway was supplied by carpenter Andy McGuire.
3. A number of new volunteers were recruited in the summer, including five new Tour Guides trained to escort visitors round the boat.
4. Opening hours were increased in the summer, and openings continued on Sunday afternoons late into the autumn. Visitor numbers, including tours by appointment, doubled to over 2000 in the year.
5. The Company began to experiment with branded merchandise, and early sales of mugs, tea-towels, pens, fridge magnets etc were encouraging.
6. In September, the Company learned that it had been awarded a grant of £90,000 over two years, with three main purposes:
 - a. To put a new fence round the SSK compound;
 - b. To install and fit out a 10m x 3m temporary building – the Exhibition Room – in front of the boat shelter and
 - c. To employ a part-time paid worker – a ‘Heritage Outreach Officer’ – to promote the SSK project in school, colleges and in the local community. That worker was appointed in January 2024.

Arrangements have been made for the Heritage Fund project to be carefully evaluated.

7. In December the Council confirmed its willingness to grant the Company a new 5-year lease for an expanded site to accommodate the Exhibition Room and, potentially, one or two of the Project 24 pods (glass-fronted containers) which used to be on the marina front in Bangor.
8. The Board has continued actively to explore options for a permanent home for the Sir Samuel Kelly and the eventual permanent Heritage and Visitor Centre for Donaghadee.
9. In addition, the Company has continued to engage with the public, running exhibitions and Open Days (including commemoration of the Princess Victoria disaster), raising funding for the project and providing public information in support of the objectives of the project.
10. An event was held in May, to mark the unveiling of the new displays, which was attended by our member of Parliament, three members of the Legislative Assembly, the Mayor and Councillors and the leading Officers of the Council. Ards and North Down Borough Council continues to give the project its unstinted support.

6. Statutory declarations

a. Public benefit

The Trustees have complied with the duty to have regard to the guidance issued by the Northern Ireland Charity Commission under Section 4(b) (the Public Benefit Requirement statutory guidance).

The major part of the public benefit created by the Company in the year has been by way of the pursuit of the long-term objectives of the Company, which will be of benefit to the people of the Area of Benefit as defined in the Articles of Association, namely Donaghadee and the surrounding area.

b. Any harm caused by the Company

So far as the Trustees are aware, no harm has resulted from the activities of the Company in the year.

c. Any private benefit resulting from the Company's activities

So far as the Trustees are aware, no private person or body corporate has obtained any benefit from the activities of the Company in the year.

7. Financial report

The company's accounts for calendar 2023 are attached.

Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105987

Annual return

DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS ON THE PREPARATION OF THE UNAUDITED STATUTORY ACCOUNTS OF DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

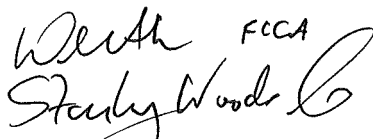
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Stanley Woods & Co

Certified Accountants

7 March 2024

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Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105987

Accounts

Company Registration Number NI635831 (Northern Ireland)

DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY
INDEPENDENTLY EXAMINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

COMPANY INFORMATION

Directors	Mr J Caldwell Mr C J A Chivers Mrs S S Cochrane Mr E A Couser Mr E N Johnston Mr J McComiskey Mrs M J Smith Mr W Martin Mrs P Burgess Mr M Murray Mr R Wheeler
Secretary	Mr C, J A Chivers
Company number	NI635831
Registered office	21 New Road Donaghadee Co Down BT21 0DR
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DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The directors present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Directors

The directors who held office during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were as follows:

Mr J Caldwell
Mr C J A Chivers
Mrs S S Cochrane
Mr E A Couser
Mr E N Johnston
Mr J McComiskey
Mrs M J Smith
Mr W Martin
Mrs P Burgess
Mr M Murray
Mr R Wheeler

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies' exemption.

By order of the board

Mr C, J A Chivers
Secretary

16 March 2022

DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS ON THE PREPARATION OF THE UNAUDITED STATUTORY ACCOUNTS OF DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, we have prepared for your approval the financial statements of Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company for the year ended 31 December 2021, which comprise the income and expenditure account and the balance sheet, from the company's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given us.

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We have carried out an Independent Examination of the company's Financial Statements and records for the year ended 31 December 2021.

It is your duty to ensure that Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory financial statements that give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit of Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company. You consider that Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit or a review of the financial statements of Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the statutory financial statements.

Stanley Woods & Co

16 March 2022

Certified Accountants

Alexander House
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DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
Income	4,697	14,103
Other income	1,641	-
Cost of raw materials and consumables	(1,216)	(8,342)
Depreciation and other amounts written off assets	(1,605)	(1,605)
Other charges	(1,947)	(1,174)
Surplus	<u>1,570</u>	<u>2,982</u>

DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets		12,816		14,421
Current assets	24,087		21,042	
Prepayments and accrued income	809		679	
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
Net current assets		24,896		21,721
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>37,712</u>		<u>36,142</u>
Net assets		<u>37,712</u>		<u>36,142</u>
Reserves		<u>37,712</u>		<u>36,142</u>

Notes to the financial statements

1 Employees

The average number of persons, including directors, employed by the company during the year was as follows:

	2021 Number	2020 Number
Employees	-	-

Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in Northern Ireland. The registered office is 21 New Road, Donaghadee, Co Down, BT21 0DR.

For the year ended 31 December 2021 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions and in accordance with FRS 105 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime' and the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 16 March 2022 and are signed on its behalf by:

Mr E A Couser
Director

Mrs P Burgess
Director

Company Registration Number NI635831

DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY
MANAGEMENT INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

DETAILED TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	£	2021 £	£	2020 £
Turnover				
Fund-raising efforts		4,137		12,126
Fees receivable		560		610
Other funds		-		1,367
		<u>4,697</u>		<u>14,103</u>
Other income				
Income from other fixed asset investments	1,641		-	
	<u>1,641</u>	1,641		-
Cost of raw materials and consumables				
Direct costs of fund-raising efforts	116		493	
Costs of boat restoration	1,100		7,849	
	<u>1,216</u>	(1,216)	<u>8,342</u>	(8,342)
Depreciation and other amounts written off assets				
Depreciation	1,605		1,605	
	<u>1,605</u>	(1,605)	<u>1,605</u>	(1,605)
Other charges				
Website running costs	205		149	
Bank charges	-		1	
Insurances	841		768	
Printing and stationery	228		191	
Sundry expenses	673		65	
	<u>1,947</u>	(1,947)	<u>1,174</u>	(1,174)
Surplus for the year		<u>1,570</u>		<u>2,982</u>

Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105987

Annual report

DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

Trustees' Annual Report for 2021

The Company

1. Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company ('the Company') is a company limited by guarantee registered in Northern Ireland (No. NI 635831) incorporated in 2016. It is also a charity registered with the Northern Ireland Charity Commission (No. NIC 105987).

Reporting year

2. The Company's reporting year is the calendar year. In this report 'the year' means calendar 2021.

Trustees

3. The Trustees of the Charity and Directors of the Company in the year were:

Officers

Joan Smith, Chair to October 2021

Alan Couser, Vice Chair, Acting Chair from November 2021

Patricia Burgess, Treasurer

Kit Chivers, Company Secretary

Other Directors

John Caldwell

Jack McComiskey

Wesley Martin

Shirley Cochrane

Murdo Murray

Ryan Wheeler

4. Joan Smith stood down from the Chair temporarily in October 2021 on account of her personal circumstances but remained a Director of the Company.

5. The 2021 Annual General Meeting was held by Zoom on 30th March 2021. The Board's monthly meetings were also held by Zoom until June 2021, when face to face meetings resumed, with due precautions, in the Donaghadee Methodist Church Hall.

The purpose of the Company

6. In accordance with its Memorandum of Association, the Company seeks to advance education and promote heritage and culture within Donaghadee and the surrounding area. In particular:

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The Activities of the Company

7. The activities of the Company can be divided into two categories:
 - a. Taking forward the Company's strategy for
 - i. Building a shelter for the Sir Samuel Kelly;
 - ii. Conserving and restoring the lifeboat; and
 - iii. Creating a Heritage Centre for Donaghadee of which the lifeboat will be the focal point.
 - b. Raising funding for the project and providing public information in support of those objectives.

Support from Ards and North Down Borough Council

8. In 2017 Ards and North Down Borough Council acquired the Sir Samuel Kelly from the Ulster Folk and Transport Museum and offered to lend it to the Company under a 25-year licence. The Council also granted a 5-year lease of the plot of land on which the lifeboat stands. In 2018 the licence and lease were agreed, and a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the Council and the Company under which the two parties agreed to cooperate to achieve the Company's strategic objectives.

9. In 2021 the Mayor of Ards and North Down, Cllr Mark Brooks, nominated the Company to be one of the Mayor's official charities during his term of office.

Preparation of a Masterplan for the Donaghadee Commons

10. In September 2021 the Council appointed consultants AECOM to advise on the development of the Donaghadee Commons. In October the Company made a submission to the consultants explaining its objectives and suggesting a permanent site for the proposed Heritage Centre housing the Sir Samuel Kelly. Following discussion, the consultants prepared a draft Masterplan for the Commons which, at the time of writing, is out for public consultation.

11. The Company sought the endorsement of elected representatives for its proposals and a letter of support was signed by the MP for North Down, the five MLAs for the constituency and five of the six local Councillors (the one exception being debarred by virtue of the office he holds within the Council). The Company wishes to record its sincere thanks to all of them.

12. With the help of the MLAs, the Company also approached the Departments of Communities and the Economy to register the importance of the project both from the Heritage perspective and from the point of view of attracting tourism and strengthening the local economy of Donaghadee and the Ards. The Company also made contact with various charitable bodies which might be possible contributors to the funding of the proposed Visitor and Heritage Centre.

Conservation of the Sir Samuel Kelly

13. Conservation work on the boat continued during 2021 despite the constraints imposed by the pandemic. The wooden hull was judged to have dried out enough to allow a first coat of paint to be applied, and careful trials were made for caulking the seams and further painting. The metal stanchions and chains were removed from the deck and sent off for re-coating.

The shelter

14. The PVC-covered shelter which provides a temporary home for the lifeboat was damaged by a severe storm in December 2021. One side of the PVC skin was torn away and the mesh covering the seaward end of the shelter was also torn. The suppliers of the shelter were contacted to arrange the necessary repairs, but at the time of writing they had not yet been carried out. The cost will be considerable, and insurance was not available because of the position and mode of construction of the shelter, so an appeal is being made to Members and other supporters to contribute towards it. Despite this, the boat continued to be protected by the shelter and suffered no damage itself.

Visitors to the shelter

15. Four Open Days were held, attracting in total nearly 1,000 visitors from all over the island of Ireland and beyond. In addition, the Company hosted pre-arranged visits by a number of groups, and the boat served as the end-point for numerous walking tours around Donaghadee. The Company wishes to record its gratitude to Dr Robert Neill, who organised many of the tours.

16. In view of the number of visitors and the time it may take to build a permanent home for the boat, the Company explored the possibility of placing a prefabricated unit in front of the shelter to serve as a temporary reception and exhibition space. The Council indicated that it would be willing to consider such a proposal, subject to planning permission, once decisions had been taken in relation to the Masterplan for the area currently in preparation.

Communications

17. The Company maintains a website for public information and uses social media to keep interested parties informed. There is a Sir Samuel Kelly project group on Facebook www.facebook.com/sskproject/ with 725 followers, and a Donaghadee Heritage (Sir Samuel Kelly Project) Group which at the latest count had 384 members. The local papers, the *County Down Spectator* and the *Newtonnards Chronicle*, gave appropriate coverage to its affairs.

Finance

18. None of the Company's usual activities to raise funds for the project were able to take place on account of the pandemic, though it was able to take part in certain events organised for the benefit of the Mayor's official charities. However, as the accounts show, contributions continued to come in to offset the costs the Company incurred. The Company was grateful to receive a Community Development Grant of £1800 from the Council. In January 2021 the Company invested half of its reserves in the Charities Official Investment Fund, which yielded a gain of £1640 in the course of the year.

Summary of the achievements of the Company in 2021

19. The main achievements of the Company were to survive the pandemic, to keep the boat safe and press on with its conservation, and to press the case for the proposed Visitor/Heritage Centre. The Company maintained its public profile, attracted a large number of visitors to the shelter, made representations to the consultants advising the Council on the future of the Donaghadee Commons and enlisted strong, cross-party political support for the project.

20. The Board wishes to record its thanks to Heather McGuicken, Director of the North Down Museum, for her advice and support; to Piran Harte, the Company's professional maritime conservation adviser; and to Quinton Nelson of the Copeland Marina for his advice and practical assistance.

Formal declarations required by the Charity Commission

(i) Public benefit

21. The Trustees have complied with the duty to have regard to the guidance issued by the Northern Ireland Charity Commission under Section 4(b) (the Public Benefit Requirement statutory guidance). The public benefit created by the Company in the year has been by way of the pursuit of the long-term objectives of the Company, which will be of benefit to the people of the Area of Benefit as defined in the Articles of Association, namely Donaghadee and the surrounding area.

(ii) Any harm caused by the Company

22. So far as the Trustees are aware, no harm has resulted from the activities of the Company in the year.

(iii) Any private benefit resulting from the Company's activities

23. So far as the Trustees are aware, no private person or body corporate has obtained any benefit from the activities of the Company in the year.

Financial report and accounts

24. The Company's accounts for calendar 2021 are attached.

Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company

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Annual return

DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS ON THE PREPARATION OF THE UNAUDITED STATUTORY ACCOUNTS OF DONAGHADEE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMPANY

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, we have prepared for your approval the financial statements of Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company for the year ended 31 December 2021, which comprise the income and expenditure account and the balance sheet, from the company's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given us.

As a practising member firm of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed at <https://www.accaglobal.com/gb/en/member/standards/rules-and-standards/rulebook.html>.

We have carried out an Independent Examination of the company's Financial Statements and records for the year ended 31 December 2021.

It is your duty to ensure that Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory financial statements that give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit of Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company. You consider that Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit or a review of the financial statements of Donaghadee Heritage Preservation Company. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the statutory financial statements.

Stanley Woods & Co
Certified Accountants

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