

Clare Reformed Presbyterian Church Tandragee

Northern Ireland · Charity number 106253

Details

Status	Received
Registered	2016-12-15
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

Address	59 Tyrone's Ditches Poyntzpass Newry BT35 6RF
Phone	07518020228

Activities

Purposes: The purpose of the RPCI is to support and advance the Christian Faith according to the Word of God and in accordance with the 'Book of Government and Order of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland.

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	£34,330	£25,444	£0	1

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mr David Cromie		
Mr Richard Brown		
Rev Peter Dundee		
Rev Robert Robb		

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Clare Accounts – Income 2024

	£ 2,625.44
Balance at 31/12/23	£13,577.00
Weekly F.W.O	£ 1,850.50
Loose Collection	
	£ 5,833.33
Congregational Aid	£ 45.11
Bank Interest	£ 7,349.14
Tax refund 2022 + 2023	
Total	= £31,280.52

Other Income

Manse rent and deposit	£2,500.00
Synodical Collections	£ 70.00
Mission Collections	£ 295.00
Covenanter Witness	£ 100.00
Ground rent - in memory of the Late Mr Robert Shields	£ 45.00
Total	= £3,010

Donations

Anonymous friend of Clare £40.00	
	= £ 40

TOTAL INCOME = £34,330.52

Clare – EXPENDITURE 2024

Salary & Pension Rev Dundee	£12,237.50
Supply Speaker	£ 2,245.00
Interim Moderator	£ 3,055.73
	<u>5,300</u>
	= £17,538.23

Sabbath School & Bible Club Expenses

Bible club supplies	£ 51.27
Sunday School gifts	£ 331.54

= £382.81

Church Expenses

Electricity	£ 428.00
Heating Oil	£1272.32
NI Water	£ 136.74
Rates on Manse	£ 727.85

= £2,564.91

General Expenses

Church Missions	£ 700.00
Church Synodical 2023+2024	£1360.00
Women's fellowship	£ 30.00
Covenanter Witness	£ 100.00
SP Youth Committee	£ 200.00
Ministers' conference	£ 110.00
Financial reports	£ 75.00
Synod minute books	£ 28.00
Gifts to Rev & Mrs Dundee	£ 135.00
Congregational soup lunches	£ 151.05
Stationary & printing supplies	£ 24.35
Printer, photocopier & laptop	£1083.99
TV, HDMI cable and camera	£ 343.98
New Psalters & study books	£ 95.50
Paper hand towels	£ 21.95
Gift to Clare Presbyterian for erection of new hall	£ 500.00

= £4,958.82

TOTAL EXPENSE = £25,444.77

Total income - Total expenditure Balance £8,885.75

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/01/2020	To	31/12/2020
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Grants	-		-	0
Fundraising activities		-	-	0
Interest on deposit account				0
Dividend on investments	-	-	-	0
Members' subscriptions		-	-	0
Charitable trading receipts		-	-	0
Rents from land & buildings	-	-	-	0
Other charitable receipts	661	-	-	661
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Loan repayments received		-	-	-
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A3 Payments				
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Gross trading payments		-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-
Direct charitable activity	32,418	668	-	33,086
Grants & donations paid		-		-
Governance costs		-	-	-
Other costs	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
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A3 Sub total	32,418	668	-	33,086
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Purchase of investments		65,000	-	65,000
Loans made	-	-	-	-
A4 Sub total	-	65,000	-	65,000
Total payments	32,418	65,668	-	98,086
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,837	- 43,858	-	- 41,021
A5 Transfers between funds				-
A6 Cash funds last year end	7,383	161,022		168,405
Cash funds this year end	10,220	117,164	0	127,384

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CLARE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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for the year ended 31 December 2023

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Clare Reformed Presbyterian Church,
25 Old Clare Grange, Tandragee, Craigavon BT62 2GF

CHARITY TRUSTEES

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

Rev Peter Dundee

Richard Brown

David Cromie

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Minister	Rev Peter Dundee
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Clerk of Session	Richard Brown
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Mr John Mason

BANKERS

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Portadown (A) Branch
20 High Street
Portadown
BT62 1HU

STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

The Charity Trustees of the Congregation are the members of its Session under the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland Code. The Session ensures pastoral care is in place in the congregation and seeks to further the contribution of the Church to the Christian witness and service in the local community. The Session is supported in the temporal affairs of the congregation by the Congregational Committee including administering all funds and property belonging to the congregation. Members of the Session are ex-officio members of the Congregational Committee.

The Session consists of the ordained minister (or minister appointed as Interim Moderator by the Synod of the Presbytery) and the ruling Elders of the congregation. All members are entitled to propose, speak and exercise equal votes at meetings.

Meetings of the Session are held regularly throughout the year. The congregation holds an Annual General Meeting in January each year.

To be chosen for the office of the eldership in the congregation a person must be a 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 Session. Members of the Congregation vote on those proposed for the eldership.

Presbytery

Under the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland form of governance, the corporate oversight of a congregation is the responsibility of a Presbytery which oversees the spiritual and temporal affairs of the congregations assigned to it by the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland. Clare Reformed Presbyterian Church is assigned to the Southern Presbytery of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland. The membership of the Presbytery consists of active and retired ministers of congregations assigned to the Presbytery and the Ruling Elders of each of the member congregations.

Synod

The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland is the supreme court of the Church, representing in one body the whole Church and acting on its supreme legislative, administrative and judicial authority, in dealing with all matters brought before it. The Synod is normally constituted in June for worship and to conduct its business. The membership of Synod consists mainly of the active ministers of each congregation, retired ministers and representative elders from the Session of each congregation.

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE

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

Clare Reformed Presbyterian Church is part of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Ireland (RPCI) established in 1811.

The RPCI believes in the triune God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit and that its members can enter into a relationship with that God through acceptance of Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord. That relationship is expressed through a range of activities.

The purpose of the RPCI is to support and advance the Christian Faith according to the Word of God as expressed in 'The Testimony' of the RPCI' the statement of faith. The Congregation is governed in accordance with the 'Book of Government and Order of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland'.

The following direct benefits flow from the organisations purpose

- The provision of churches as places of worship
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- Provision of a moral/ethical framework based on Biblical principles
- Opportunities for social interaction among members and with the public in general
- Encouragement to live and participate in and contribute to community life based on Christian principles.

These identified benefits can be easily demonstrated as the congregation provides a place for meeting and worship. These are open to all. Other benefits will be seen in the lives of people conforming more and more to the highest ethical and moral standards in accordance with the Christian faith. There is further benefit to the public as members interact with the communities in which they live and demonstrate the benefits of living according to Christian principles in consistent Christian Faith. Benefits can be demonstrated through the RPCI missionary and through the training of students for the Christian Ministry at the Reformed Theological College.

The weekly worship services, Bible study, prayer meetings are open to members and adherents and other members of the public who may wish to attend. Only those who meet the membership requirements of the denomination may participate in the observance of the Lord's Supper (Holy Communion).

ACTIVITIES AND PERFORMANCE

The congregation met for public worship each Sunday morning, preceded by a prayer meeting, with an evening service held once a month. The evening service is held in conjunction with other churches within the Presbytery in which members of these congregations join in worship. All visitors are welcome to attend services.

The midweek meeting was held monthly, with other meetings as announced. The Sabbath School continued for the teaching of children in the congregation. A monthly Women's Bible Study began in January, meeting in the Manse. There was a Bible Club for children of primary school age held in the final week of June which was open to all children from the village and the surrounding district. The Men's Fellowship, too, met on several occasions throughout the year.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed on two occasions during the year.

Members of the congregation who were unable to attend church due to sickness or age are visited by the minister or one of the elders.

The congregation has also made the church and church hall building available to the presbytery and wider church for meetings and special services during the year.

The congregation was represented at the Southern Presbytery and Synod by the Minister and Ruling Elders.

PUBLIC BENEFITS STATEMENT

The direct benefits flow from the purposes of the Church that include the gaining of and understanding in Christian beliefs as set out in the Word of God in the Bible and in accordance with the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland Code.

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).

These benefits are delivered locally by congregations and their members and are facilitated by presbyteries and centrally. Local delivery is facilitated by drawing on central resources. Public access is made known through the use of notice boards, printed material, websites, and in other ways.

The purpose does not lead to harm. The only private benefit flowing from our purpose is related to Ministers, Missionaries and Lay Agents who receive benefits as a result their holding office or employment. However, this is incidental and necessary in order to further our charitable purpose. There are no other private beneficiaries. The beneficiaries of this purpose are members, their families and other individuals that the Clare Reformed Presbyterian congregation, and the wider Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland is in direct or indirect contact with and the community in which pastoral services are provided.

The 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.

As a congregation we faithfully met our Targets of Honour set by Synod for the support of ministries in the wider Church, such as Mission work.

The Congregational Aid Fund of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland has agreed to contribute up to 50% of the minister's salary and pension contributions, dependent upon the capacity of the Congregation to contribute. In 2022 the Congregational Aid Fund paid 30% of the minister's salary.

The congregation is able to meet the cost of maintaining the buildings.

The buildings are in a very good state following the refurbishment of the church in 2000 and the construction of a new hall in 2014. The congregation has purchased a new-build bungalow in the village of Clare as a manse which was finally ready for occupation in late 2021. The final payment for the Manse of £111,802 was fully met in 2021

Total Income in the year was £37206.90

Total expenditure was £35321.46. The bulk of this was made up of the congregation's commitment to the Minister's salary of £29,370 with the Congregational Aid Fund contributing £12000.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for overseeing the preparation of the financial statements of the congregation in accordance with applicable law.

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

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the congregation's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time its financial position. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the congregation and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Session and signed on its behalf by:

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Minister

Richard Brown

Clerk of Session

Clare Reformed Presbyterian Church Tandragee

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Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Clare Reformed Presbyterian Church

I report on the accounts of the Trustees for the year ended 31st December 2023. **Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner**

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

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

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

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

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

Independent examiner's 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.

Name: John Mason

Address: 8 Beauwood, Derryhale, Portadown BT62 3TH

Date: 08/10/2024

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Basis of independent examiner's report

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Date: 10/01/2023