

# Victims/Survivors & USC Foundation - North Antrim

Northern Ireland · Charity number 106392

## Details

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Status	Received
Registered	2017-10-18
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register</a>

## Contact

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**Address** 32 Farran Road  
Ballymoney  
Co. Antrim  
Northern Ireland  
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**Website** [none](#)

## Activities

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**Purposes:** 2.1 The prevention or relief of poverty of ex-serving members of the security forces, armed forces and emergency services who served in Northern Ireland, and their families and dependents living in North Antrim and it's environs in Northern Ireland (hereinafter called the "area of benefit") by any means in so far as is exclusively charitable. 2.2 The health and well being of ex-serving members of the security forces, armed forces and emergency services who served in Northern Ireland, their families and dependents and victims and survivors of the troubles living in the area of benefit by any means in so far as is exclusively charitable and in particular by fostering mutual friendship between them and to assist, aid, support and provide for social gatherings, respite occasions, commemorations and home visits for those less able to attend social gatherings. 2.3 The advancement of heritage for the public benefit by preserving and promoting the traditions and artefacts of the Ulster Special Constabulary.

**What the charity does:** The prevention or relief of poverty, The advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science, The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage

**How the charity works:** Arts, Community development, Counselling/support, Cross-border/cross-community, Cultural, Disability, Education/training, General charitable purposes, Grant making, Heritage/historical, Human rights/equality, Medical/health/sickness, Relief of poverty, Religious activities, Research/evaluation, Rural development, Volunteer development, Welfare/benevolent

**Who the charity helps:** Adult training, Carers, Community safety/crime prevention, General public, Interface communities, Men, Mental health, Older people, Physical disabilities, Specific areas of

deprivation,Unemployed/low income,Victim support,Voluntary and community sector,Volunteers,Women

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	£4,861	£3,769	£0	0

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Bill Kennedy		
Mr Andrew Gardner Kane		
Mr David Guthrie		
Mr James Francis Mckillop		
Mr William Johnston		
Mrs Diane Mckay		
Mrs Margaret Laverty		
Sammy Henry		

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# Accounts

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## VICTIM/SURVIVORS & USC FOUNDATION - NORTH ANTRIM

### Statement of Financial Activities for the Year ended 31st August 2024

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>Receipts</b>				
<b>Voluntary Receipts</b>				
Dinner Income	2,175		2,175	715
Membership Subscriptions	1,685		1,685	0
Donations	50		50	0
Bank Interest	131		131	116
<b>From Charitable Activities</b>				
Membership Fees	0		0	0
Fundraising	820		820	0
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>4,861</b>		<b>4,861</b>	<b>831</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
Direct Charity Activity	1,070		0	0
Dinner Expenses	1,978		0	0
Other Expenses	153		0	0
Insurance	359		359	342
Bank Charges	59		59	33
Governance Costs	150		150	0
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>3,769</b>		<b>3,769</b>	<b>375</b>
<b>Net Receipts/(Payments)</b>	<b>1,092</b>		<b>1,092</b>	<b>456</b>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>				
<b>Surplus/(Deficit ) for the year</b>	<b>1,092</b>		<b>1,092</b>	<b>456</b>
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>16,342</b>		<b>16,342</b>	<b>15,886</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>17,434</b>		<b>17,434</b>	<b>16,342</b>

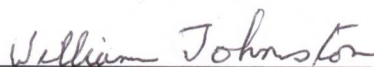
## VICTIM/SURVIVORS & USC FOUNDATION - NORTH ANTRIM

### Balance Sheet as at 31st August 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
Tangible Fixed Assets		0	0
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtors		0	0
Cash at bank and in hand		17,434	16,342
		<u>17,434</u>	<u>16,342</u>
<b>Creditors - falling due within one year</b>		0	0
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		17,434	16,342
<b>Creditors - falling due after one year</b>		0	0
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u><b>17,434</b></u>	<u><b>16,342</b></u>
<b>Funds</b>			
Unrestricted Funds		17,434	16,342
Restricted Funds			
		<u>17,434</u>	<u>16,342</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u><b>17,434</b></u>	<u><b>16,342</b></u>

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by

  
Mr David Guthrie

  
Mr William Johnston

13th May 2025

## VICTIM/SURVIVORS & USC FOUNDATION - NORTH ANTRIM

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2024

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As the total income of the society is less than £250,000 the trustees have elected in accordance with the provisions in the Charities (Accounts and Reports Regulations NI) 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 trustees discretion; the income derived from the endowment is to be used either as restricted or unrestricted income funds depending on the purpose for which the endowment was established in the first place

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from the endowments which is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific activity intended by the donor.

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

### 2. RECONCILIATION OF CASH FUNDS

	£
Total Cash Funds at Beginning of the year	16,342
Receipts for the year	4,861
Payments for the year	-3,769
Total Cash Funds at end of the year	<u>17,434</u>

### 3. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1 Sept 2023	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	At 31 Aug 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Endowment Funds</b>	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Restricted Funds</b>					
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>					
General Fund	16,342	4,861	3,769	0	17,434
	<u>16,342</u>	<u>4,861</u>	<u>3,769</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>17,434</u>
<b>Total Funds</b>	<u>16,342</u>	<u>4,861</u>	<u>3,769</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>17,434</u>

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# Accounts

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## VICTIM/SURVIVORS & USC FOUNDATION - NORTH ANTRIM

### Statement of Financial Activities for the Year ended 31st August 2023

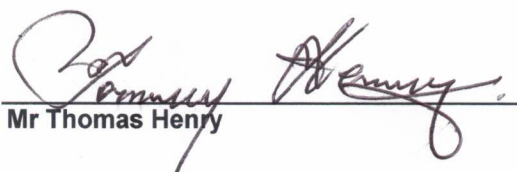
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>				
<b>Voluntary Receipts</b>				
Dinner Income	715		715	0
Membership Subscriptions	0		0	285
Grants	0		0	0
Bank Interest	116		116	6
<b>From Charitable Activities</b>				
Membership Fees	0		0	0
Fundraising	0		0	0
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>831</b>		<b>831</b>	<b>291</b>
<b><u>Payments</u></b>				
Insurance	342		342	297
Bank Charges	33		33	33
Governance Costs	0		0	0
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>375</b>		<b>375</b>	<b>330</b>
<b>Net Receipts/(Payments)</b>	<b>456</b>		<b>456</b>	<b>-39</b>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>				
<b>Surplus/(Deficit ) for the year</b>	<b>456</b>		<b>456</b>	<b>-39</b>
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>15,886</b>		<b>15,886</b>	<b>15,925</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>16,342</b>		<b>16,342</b>	<b>15,886</b>

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### Balance Sheet as at 31st August 2023

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<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
Tangible Fixed Assets		0	0
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtors		0	0
Cash at bank and in hand		16,342	15,886
		<u>16,342</u>	<u>15,886</u>
<b>Creditors - falling due within one year</b>		0	0
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		16,342	15,886
<b>Creditors - falling due after one year</b>		0	0
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>16,342</b>	<b>15,886</b>
		<u><u>16,342</u></u>	<u><u>15,886</u></u>
<b>Funds</b>			
Unrestricted Funds		16,342	15,886
Restricted Funds			
		<u>16,342</u>	<u>15,886</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<b>16,342</b>	<b>15,886</b>
		<u><u>16,342</u></u>	<u><u>15,886</u></u>

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by

  
Mr Thomas Henry

  
Mr William Johnston

14th May 2024

## VICTIM/SURVIVORS & USC FOUNDATION - NORTH ANTRIM

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2023

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### 2. RECONCILIATION OF CASH FUNDS

	£
Total Cash Funds at Beginning of the year	15,886
Receipts for the year	831
Payments for the year	<u>-375</u>
Total Cash Funds at end of the year	<u><u>16,342</u></u>

### 3. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1 April 2022	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	At 31 Mar 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Endowment Funds</b>					
	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Restricted Funds</b>					
	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>					
General Fund	15,886	831	375	0	16,342
	<u>15,886</u>	<u>831</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>16,342</u>
<b>Total Funds</b>	<u>15,886</u>	<u>831</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>16,342</u>

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# Annual report

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Victims/Survivors & USC Foundation - North Antrim

Charity no.106392

Date registered. 18/10/2017

Secretary DAVID J GUTHRIE

32 Farran Road,  
Ballymoney,  
BT53 8HD

#### Trustees Report

1. The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended August 2023. Prepared in accordance with the governing constitution and the Charity Commission's Public benefit requirement statutory guidance.
2. The name of the charity is the Victims/Survivors & USC Foundation- North Antrim and its address is 32 FARRAN ROAD, BALLYMONEY  
CO. ANTRIM BT53 8HD  
NORTHERN IRELAND\*

It is registered with the Charity Commission NI with registration no. 106392.

3. Chairman and Secretary  
Chair: Thomas Henry  
Secretary: David J Guthrie  
Trustees:  
Mr Thomas Henry  
Mr Samuel Woodside Henry  
Mr David J Guthrie  
Mr Andrew Gardner Kane  
Mr William Johnston  
Mr James Francis Mckillop  
Mrs Diane McKay  
Mrs Margaret Laverty

4. The Charity recorded with sadness the death of Trustee Oliver Crawford Gibson and the resignation of Mr Beattie Doak MBE.

Mrs Diane McKay & Mrs Margaret Laverty were appointed Trustees.

5. The Victims/Survivors & USC Foundation - North Antrim was registered as a charity on 18/10/2017 operating under a governing constitution.

6. Appointment of Trustees: New Trustees are proposed and seconded by the membership. A short induction programme is provided for new Trustees. Management: The Trustees meet quarterly to review matters of policy and to make appropriate judgements, directions and decisions on Foundation issues. The Trustees have delegated the day-to-day administration of the Foundation to the Chairman and the Secretary. None of the Trustees received any remuneration, apart from out of pocket expenses.

7. Purposes and Activities: - The purpose and benefit of the Victims/Survivors & USC Foundation flows from the prevention or relief of poverty so that those beneficiaries who are in need will be given assistance with paying for essential items such as heating oil or food vouchers, thus helping to reduce the level of hardship and stress to people at difficult times in their lives. The direct benefit which flows from promoting welfare and benefit of the beneficiaries is that people who have worked together during the Troubles and victims and survivors of the Troubles can find friendship and continued comradeship between them. This helps to improve their emotional well being. The direct benefit which flows from preserving the traditions and artifacts of the USC is that the public will learn about the institution and that there will be a historic record for the public record and that the artifacts will be preserved for future generations to appreciate. The support of other organisations or charities with similar purposes in such circumstances as may be deemed appropriate and insofar as they are charitable.

Strategies adopted. In accordance with the provisions set out in its constitution, the Trustees have adopted the following strategies to meet the Foundation's principal object:

- (i) Awareness and sourcing of Beneficiaries. The Trustees remain committed to promoting the welfare of those who have worked together during the Troubles and the victims and survivors of the Troubles. The number of people we are able to help or who are in need will be identified primarily by the befriending service. The various gatherings, suppers, and outings the Foundation tries to provide on an affordable basis. By bringing people together in social gatherings, respite occasions and historic acts of remembrance. Also by providing volunteers to do home visits for those less able to leave the house.
- (ii) Assessment of Beneficiaries. The Foundation relies on the assessment made by Statutory agencies such as Jobs & Benefits, and evidence of the assessed level of income to the Beneficiaries.

8. Investment performance: The Foundation currently has total resources valued in excess of £16,342.00 and with resumption of charitable activities will actively seek income by way of donations, often via the activities of the membership.

9. Charitable Outgoings. Throughout the Covid pandemic, the Foundation maintained a very modest support by way of £10 Christmas voucher to 24 beneficiaries and a donation to one beneficiary to assist with travel to Londonderry for treatment. Charitable activities support amounted to £290.00

10. Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities in respect of accounts: Charity law requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its financial activities for that year. In preparing those accounts the trustees are required to:

Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.

Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.

State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and prepare the accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and are able to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safe guarding the assets of the Charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

11. It must be noted that the usual business of the Foundation was severely curtailed in an unprecedented way through the Government directed Covid 19 measures and it has taken a while for normal business to resume. A resumption further complicated by the death of Trustee and Founder member the late Mr Oliver Crawford Gibson who had been in sole charge of Foundation's obligation to the Charity Commission's Public Benefit requirement and statutory guidance.

- Jan-March 2020 Lockdown measures.
- March 2020- April 2024 No active business, nothing to report other than the limited issue of food vouchers and one hospital travel payment recorded in paragraph 9 above.
- 1 April 2024 Normal business resumes. Financial report, Independent Examiners Report and Trustees report to be completed and uploaded to Charity Commission Website.

12. INDEPENDENT EXAMINER. The Trustees have appointed John McMULLAN as independent examiner, the report is available and uploaded to the Charity Commission web portal.

Chairman Thomas HENRY 11 JUNE, 2024

**Victims/Survivors & USC Foundation - North Antrim**

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# Annual return

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## VICTIM/SURVIVORS & USC FOUNDATION - NORTH ANTRIM

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### Independent Examiner's Report to the Charity Trustees of Victim/Survivors & USC Foundation - North Antrim

I report on the accounts of Victim/Survivors & USC Foundation - North Antrim for the year ended 31 August 2023 which are set out on the following pages.

#### 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



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Chartered Management Accountant  
McMullan & Co  
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15th May 2024