

Ards Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland · Charity number 106408

Details

Status Received

Registered 2017-03-02

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	£28,245	£28,559	£0	2

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr Raymond Whiteford		
Miss Agnes Rebecca Wilson		
Mr Alexander Miller Dalzell		
Mr Colin Nixon		
Mr David Mcauley		
Mr David Mccracken		
Mr Herbert James Robinson		
Mr James Francis Peter Mcdowell		
Mr Robert Beers		
Mr Robert Francis Mccormick		
Mr Robert John Davidson		
Mr Robert Mairs Houston		
Mr Samuel Wallace Mckee		
Mr Thomas Brian Morrison		
Mr William Alexander Palmer		
Mr William John Richardson		
Mrs Elizabeth Warden		
Rev Alvin Samuel Little		
Rev Charles John Carson Mcmullen		
Rev Colin Walter Megaw		
Rev Craig Jackson		
Rev Craig Neil Lynn		
Rev David Stanfield		
Rev Donald James Watts		
Rev Gareth James Simpson		
Rev Graeme Fowles		
Rev James Campbell		

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Janice Margaret Browne		
Rev Jeffrey Parr Mcwatters		
Rev John Hamilton Flaherty		
Rev Mairisine Stanfield		
Rev Mark Johnston		
Rev Norman William Mcauley		
Rev Paul Thomas Dalzell		
Rev Peter Clarke Lyle		
Rev Robert Alan Russell		
Rev Robert Alexander Patton		
Rev Robert James Stevenson		
Rev Robert Sydney Hamilton		
Rev Roger Purce		
Rev Samuel James Castles		
Rev Stephen William Orr		
Rev Thomas John Mcconaghie		
Rev Thomas William David Johnston		
Rev William Palmer Addley		
Rev William Thomas Cordner		

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Accounts

PRESBYTERY OF ARDS - INCIDENTAL FUND - 1 JANUARY - 31 DECEMBER 2024

<u>2023</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>2024</u>
28020	Fees from Congregations	26769
59	Bank Interest	56
240	Cash - Ministers Retreat	0
797	Cheque Conlig	0
	Cheque Hamilton Road	1420
<u>11433</u>	Progressive Building Society Bond Matured	<u>0</u>
40549		28245
13544	Opening balance - Danske Bank (1 January 2024)	27740
<u>54093</u>		<u>55985</u>
	 EXPENDITURE	
17668	Clerk and Clerk Deputy - Allowances	18572
1462	Moderator - Allowance	1535
1462	Convenors - Finance Committee	1535
1462	Consultations	1535
877	Strategy for Mission	921
731	Architect Consultant	1535
450	Students' Book Allowances	300
42	Bank Fees	39
188	Insurance	219
75	Stamps, Stationery and Photocopying	100
300	Ballygrainey donation (Heat)	300
384	Gifts	200
797	Cheque (Conlig Fees Returned)	0
	Cheque (Hamilton Road Fees Returned)	1420
455	Cheque (Ministers Retreat)	0
	Computer Equipment	108
	Booklets for 30 Churches	240
<u>26353</u>		<u>28559</u>
<u>27740</u>	Closing balance - Danske Bank (31 December 2024)	<u>27426</u>
<u>54093</u>		<u>55985</u>



Independent Examiner: Miss Jill Robinson



Mrs E Jean Mann - Treasurer

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Accounts

PRESBYTERY OF ARDS - INCIDENTAL FUND - 1 JANUARY - 31 DECEMBER 2023

<u>2022</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>2023</u>
22719	Fees from Congregations	28020
16	Bank Interest (includes annual interest on Bond)	59
1290	Cash - Ministers Retreat	240
	Cheque Conlig	797
<u>62</u>	Progressive Building Society Bond Matured	<u>11433</u>
24087		40549
13613	Opening balance - Danske Bank (1 January 2023)	13544
<u>11300</u>		
49000		<u>54093</u>
	EXPENDITURE	
13565	Clerk and Clerk Deputy - Allowance	17668
2436		
1392	Moderator - Allowance	1462
1392	Convenors - Finance Committee	1462
1392	Consultations	1462
835	Strategy for Mission	877
696	Architect Consultant	731
526	Students' Book Allowances	450
42	Bank Fees	42
166	Insurance	188
62	Stamps, Stationery and Photocopying	75
300	Ballygrainey donations (Heat)	300
0	Gifts	384
<u>1290</u>	Cheque (Conlig Fees Returned)	<u>797</u>
	Cheque (Ministers Retreat)	455
24094		<u>26353</u>
13544	Closing balance - Danske Bank (31 December 2023)	27740
<u>11362</u>	Closing balance - Progressive Building Society (2023) - See Income	<u>0</u>
49000		<u>54093</u>

E. J. Mann

Mrs E Jean Mann - Treasurer

Auditor:

Date:

Date: July 2024

Ards Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 106408

Annual report

THE ARDS PRESBYTERY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

**Trustees Annual Report
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC106408)

**THE ARDS PRESBYTERY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT**

The Trustees present their Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The Ards Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Clerk of Presbytery, Rev J H Flaherty

17 Ballywalter Road

Millisle

BT22 2HS

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC106408)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

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

Rev William John Carlisle

Rev Roger Purce

Rev William Thomas Cordner

Rev Donald James Watts

Rev Robert James Stevenson

Rev Colin Walter Megaw

Rev Mark Johnston

Rev James Campbell

Rev David Stanfield

Rev Mairisine Stanfield

Rev Robert Alexander Patton

Rev Peter Clarke Lyle

Rev Gareth James Simpson

Rev Thomas William David Johnston

Rev Charles John Carson McMullen

Rev Thomas John McConaghie

Rev Alvin Samuel Little

Rev Neil Stewart

Rev Samuel James Castles

Rev Norman William McAuley

Rev Robert Alan Russell

Rev William Palmer Addley

Rev Janice Margaret Browne

Rev John Hamilton Flaherty

Mr Herbert James Robinson

Miss Avril Lang

Mr Samuel Wallace McKee

Mr Bill Aiken

Mr John Anthony Adamson

Mr John Luke

Mr Robert Mairs Houston

Miss Valerie Jean Steele

Mr Stephen Carrol

Mr Gordon Kennedy

Mr William John Richardson

Mr Thomas Brian Morrison

Mr Alexander Miller Dalzell

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

Mr William McCausland
Mr Colin Nixon
Mr Ronald James Walker
Mrs Elizabeth Jane Mann
Mr Robert John Carville
Miss Agnes Rebecca Wilson
Rev Craig Jackson
Rev Jeffrey Parr McWatters
Mr Desie Bickerstaff
Mr Brian Turtle

Mr Robert Francis McCormick
Mr James Francis Peter McDowell
Mr Henry William James Lennon
Mr William Alexander Palmer
Mr Trevor Kennedy
Mr Peter Davison
Rev William Alistair Kennedy
Rev Stephen William Orr
Rev Robert Sydney Hamilton
Rev Paul Thomas Dalzell
Mr Alastair McQuoid

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Moderator
Clerk of Presbytery
Finance Convener

Rev Neil Stewart
Rev John Hamilton Flaherty
Rev David Stanfield

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Miss Jill Robinson
81 Old Gransha Road
Bangor
BT19 7HA

STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

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. The following congregations of the Presbyterian Church have been assigned to The Ards Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland.

Ballyblack	Kircubbin
Ballycrochan	Lisnabreen
Ballygilbert	Millisle & Ballycopeland
Ballygrainey	Movilla
Ballyholme	1st Newtownards
Ballywalter	2nd Newtownards
1st Bangor	Portaferry
Carrowdore & Ballyfrenis	Portavogie
Conlig	Regent Street
1st Donaghadee	St Andrews
Glastry	Scrabo
Greenwell Street	Shore Street
Trinity - Greyabbey	Strean
Groomsport	Trinity - Bangor
Hamilton Road	West Church - Bangor
Helen's Bay	

A Presbytery makes arrangements for the election of ministers in congregation, ordains licentiates and installs or inducts and appoints ministers in the congregations assigned to it. They also ordain or install and appoint elders, commission and appoint deaconesses, senior lecturers, auxiliary ministers, lay agents and missionaries who have been called by an authorised body in the Church. A Presbytery has a role in seeing that ministers preach the Word faithfully to their congregations, regularly visit the families under their charge, visit the sick, promote peace and temperance and see that the duties of the eldership are properly discharged. Presbyteries oversee the resignation and retirements of ministers and elders.

Presbyteries provide advice to Kirk Sessions and Congregational Committees when required and have a role in approving matters in relation to congregational property. They report annually to the General Assembly and have the right to make a nomination for the office of Moderator of the General Assembly.

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. This provides an important link between the congregations and the wider structures of the church

Stated meetings of Presbytery are held the first Tuesday in every month other than January, April and June to August.

All members are entitled to propose, speak and exercise equal votes at meetings, except that the Moderator has no deliberative, but only a casting vote.

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 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 Presbytery is the advancement of religion.

The Ards Presbytery is a Presbytery 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.

ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

The Presbytery meets on the first Tuesday of every month in every month other than January, April and June to August, and on other occasions as required. All meetings commence with a time of worship and are opened and closed with prayer.

The Presbytery carries out the following activities

- Supports those candidating for the Ministry
- Installs & Ordains ministers and elders to congregations
- Provides pastoral support for ministers and their families
- Holds a number of events such as communion and fellowship events with the current moderator of the denomination
- PW Link is an initiative of Presbyterian Women intended to improve communications and build relationships between Presbyterian Women. PW Links include a representative from each congregation and run events to support the mission and outreach of Presbytery. During the year PW Link provides a summary of their activities during the year to a full meeting of Presbytery.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

During the year credentials were received from another Presbytery in respect of two ministers who were installed in the congregations assigned to the Presbytery.

The Presbytery encourages the congregations assigned to it to support 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.

The Presbytery also encourages congregations to contribute to the denominations annual World Development Appeal, Sunday School project and any other special appeals.

General Assembly

Presbyteries are represented on the various Councils of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland and report on an annual basis to the General Assembly.

Volunteers

The Trustees wish to acknowledge their deep appreciation of those who give freely of their time by serving on Presbytery, it's commissions and panels.

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The Presbyterian Church in Ireland meets the public benefit requirement by providing benefit to its members and the general public by making known the Christian Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ through the advancement of religion. The direct benefits which flow from the purposes of the Church include the gaining of an understanding in Christian beliefs as set out in the Bible and in the Church's subordinate standards (the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Shorter and Larger Catechisms) leading to spiritual and moral development and opportunities for response to Bible teaching. In turn, 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). Generally the above benefits are delivered locally by congregational churches and members, or are facilitated through presbyteries or are organised and delivered centrally. Local delivery is facilitated by central resources in almost all cases. Public access is made known through the use of noticeboards, printed material, press advertisement, websites, and social media or in other ways. The benefits are demonstrated through regular evaluation of the services and informal and ad-hoc feedback from members, their families, and members of the public. The purpose does not lead to harm. The charities beneficiaries are its members, their families, other individuals that the Presbyterian Church in Ireland is in direct and indirect contact with, the community in which pastoral services are provided and other communities throughout Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, and worldwide which benefit from our engagement with and support for both Christian and other secular organisations, charities and individual members of the public. The only private benefit flowing from our purpose is related to Ministers, Missionaries, Deaconesses, Irish Mission workers and Lay Agents who receive benefits as a result of their holding office or employment. However, this is incidental and necessary in order to further our charitable purpose. There are no other private benefits.

The Presbytery has had regard to the Charity Commissions Public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

Ards Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 106408

Annual return

PRESBYTERY OF ARDS - INCIDENTAL FUND - 1 JANUARY - 31 DECEMBER 2023

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.

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.

I confirm that I have examined the accounts of the Presbytery of Ards Incidental Fund and can confirm that no material matters have come to my attention.

Independent Examiner: Miss Jill Robinson

Signature: 

Date: 4/10/2024

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Accounts

THE ARDS PRESBYTERY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

**Trustees Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2018**

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC106408)

THE ARDS PRESBYTERY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees present their Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2018 including a Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at that date.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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Clerk of Presbytery, Rev J H Flaherty
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FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Presbytery's main source of income is an assessment that is levied on the congregations assigned to it and £22670 was received in the current year (£19647 in previous year, 2017).

Course Fees (Handling the Word)	£ 1200
Investment Income	£ 111
Total Income	£23981

Total expenditure increased from £20401 to £22530. This includes a payment made to the Clerk of Presbytery for the responsibilities of that position and allowances paid to other appointed Presbytery personnel.

Included in the total amount of expenditure £ 350 was paid to 3rd party charities as agreed.

Given the total income and expenditure £ 1451 was held as surplus for the year and added to the total assets of Presbytery the balance held is £19815.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements of the Presbytery in accordance with applicable law and generally accepted accounting practice.

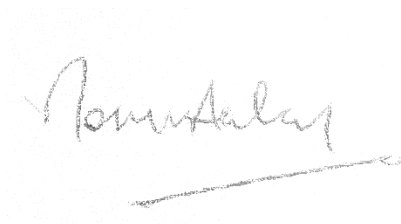
As the Presbytery's total income does not exceed £250,000, the Trustees have elected under Section 64(3) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 208 to prepare a receipts and payment account and a statement of assets and liabilities.

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

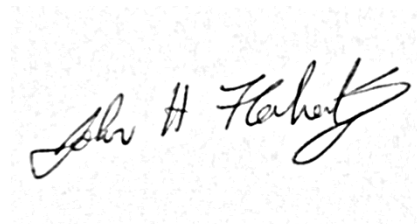
Approved by the Presbytery at a meeting on 1st October 2019 and signed on its behalf by

[Name] Rev Norman McAuley

[Name] Rev John Flaherty



[Date] 1st October 2019



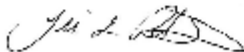
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ARDS PRESBYTERY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

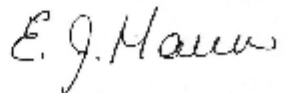
AUDITED ACCOUNTS

PRESBYTERY OF ARDS - INCIDENTAL FUND - 1 JANUARY - 31 DECEMBER 2018

<u>2017</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>2018</u>
19647	Fees from Congregations	22670
10	Bank Interest	11
0	Handling the Word Conference	1200
<u>170</u>	Progressive Building Society Interest	<u>100</u>
19827		23981
8355	Opening balance - Danske Bank (1 January 2018)	7611
<u>10583</u>	Opening balance - Progressive Building Society (2018)	<u>10753</u>
38765		42345
	EXPENDITURE	
11604	Clerk - Allowance	12667
1284	Moderator - Allowance	1300
1284	Convenors - Finance Committee	1309
1284	Consultations	1309
772	Students	785
772	Ordination of Elders	785
513	Mission	523
641	Architect - Honorarium	654
100	Treasurer - Education Board	100
200	Treasurer - Incidental Fund	200
150	Students' Book Allowances	150
350	Grants to Missionaries under care of Presbytery	350
36	Bank Fees	37
260	Presbytery Ministers' Family Day	0
137	Insurance	140
106	Stamps, Stationery and Photocopying	138
300	Movilla donation (Heat)	300
0	Youth Events	503
0	Pulpit Fees	136
0	Board of Education Grant	175
0	Handling the Word Conference	500
<u>408</u>	Gifts	<u>0</u>
20401		22530
7611	Closing balance - Danske Bank (31 December 2018)	8962
<u>10753</u>	Closing balance - Progressive Building Society (2018)	<u>10853</u>
38765		42345



Miss Jill Robinson - Auditor
15th January 2019



Mrs E Jean Merrin - Treasurer

THE ARDS PRESBYTERY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY (Receipts and Payments Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2018

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2018	Total 2017
		£	£	£	£	£
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	2	22670			22670	19647
Charitable activities	3	1200			1200	
Investment Income	4	111			111	180
Other	5					
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
		23981			23981	19827
Sale of Investments						
Sale of fixed assets						
Loans Received						
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total Receipts		23981			23981	19827
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Payments						
Raising funds						
Charitable activities	6	22530			22530	20401
Investment costs						
Other						
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
		22530			22530	20401
Purchase of Investments						
Purchase of fixed assets						
Loan Repayments						
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total Payments		22530			22530	20401
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Net receipts / (payments)		1451			1451	(574)
Transfers between funds						
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Net movement in funds		1451			1451	(574)
Funds brought forward		18364			18364	18938
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Funds carried forward	7	19815			19815	18364
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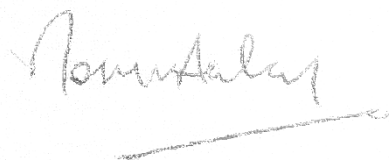
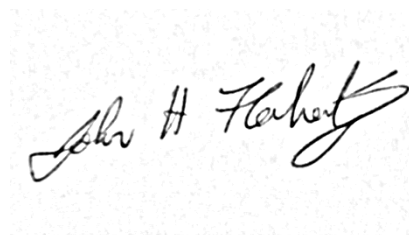
THE ARDS PRESBYTERY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
As at 31 December 2018

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2018	Total Funds 2017
	£	£	£	£	£
Funds Reconciliation					
Bank and Cash at start of year	18364			18364	18938
Net movement in funds	1451			1451	(574)
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Bank and Cash at end of year	19815			19815	18364
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Bank & Cash Balances					
Bank Current Accounts	8962			8962	7611
Bank Deposit Accounts	10853			10853	10753
Cash in Hand					
				-----	-----
				19815	18364
				=====	=====
Other Assets					
Fixed Assets – None					
Investments – None					
Gift Aid					
(Receivable on donations) - None					
Liabilities					
Loans – None					
Other - None					

Approved by the Presbytery at a meeting on 1st October and signed on its behalf by

[Name] Rev Norman McAuley

[Name] Rev John Flaherty

[Date] 1st October 2019

[Date] 1st October 2019

THE ARDS PRESBYTERY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

31 December 2018

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As the total income of the presbytery is less than £250,000 the presbytery has 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. These accounts do not incorporate the accounts of the congregations assigned to the Presbytery. These have a separate legal identity and are individually registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland.

FUND ACCOUNTING

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be retained either permanently or at the presbytery'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 presbytery 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 presbytery's general purposes. Designated funds are general funds set aside by the presbytery for use in the future.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2018	Total 2017
	£	£	£	£	£
Assessments on congregations	22670			22670	
Donations and gifts					
Gift Aid					
Legacies and bequest					
	----- 22670 -----	-----	-----	----- 22670 -----	-----

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

31 December 2018

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2018	Total 2017
	£	£	£	£	£
Income from charitable activities					
Handling the Word Course Fees	1200			1200	
Fundraising events					
PW Link					
Grants					
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	1200			1200	
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2018	Total 2017
	£	£	£	£	£
Deposit interest	111			111	180
General Investment Fund					
Rents investment properties					
Other investment income					
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	111			111	
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

5. OTHER INCOME

Insurance claims
Other income

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2018

RAISING FUNDS

Fundraising events – None

6. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2018	Total 2017
	£	£	£	£	£
Presbytery ministry and support staff costs	19777			19777	18654
Presbytery running expenses	1690			1690	839
Youth events	563			563	
Donations to missions and charities	500			500	908
PW Link					
Governance costs					
	----- 22530 -----	-----	-----	----- 22530 -----	----- 20401 -----

THE ARDS PRESBYTERY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2018

7. FUND BALANCES

Fund	Balance at start	Receipts	Payment	Surplus / (Deficit)	Transfer	Balance at end
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds						
General Fund	18364	23981	22530	1451		19815
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	18364	23981	22530	1451		19815
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Restricted Funds						
PW Link	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
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Total	18364	23981	22530	1451		19813
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Ards Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 106408

Annual report

THE ARDS PRESBYTERY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

**Trustees Annual Report
for the year ended 31 December 2018**

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC106408)

**THE ARDS PRESBYTERY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT**

The Trustees present their Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2018.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The Ards Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Clerk of Presbytery, Rev J H Flaherty

17 Ballywalter Road

Millisle

BT22 2HS

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CHARITY TRUSTEES

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

Rev William John Carlisle

Rev Roger Purce

Rev Richard John Montgomery

Rev William Thomas Cordner

Rev John McConnell Auld

Rev David Neville Gray

Rev Donald James Watts

Rev Robert James Stevenson

Rev Colin Walter Megaw

Rev Aaron Samuel Phillip Ditty

Rev Mark Johnston

Rev Andrew Jonathan Galbraith

Rev James Campbell

Rev David Stanfield

Rev Mairisine Stanfield

Rev Lesley-Ann Wilson

Rev Robert Alexander Patton

Rev Peter Clarke Lyle

Rev Gareth James Simpson

Rev Graeme Jonathan Kennedy

Rev Thomas William David Johnston

Rev Charles John Carson McMullen

Rev Thomas John McConaghy

Rev Alvin Samuel Little

Rev William George Cameron

Rev Neil Stewart

Rev Samuel James Castles

Rev Norman William McAuley

Rev Mark Ronald Catney

Rev Robert Alan Russell

Rev Jacob Maurice Wade

Rev William Palmer Addley

Rev Janice Margaret Browne

Rev John Hamilton Flaherty

Mr Herbert James Robinson

Miss Avril Lang

Mr Samuel Wallace Mckee

Mr Robert John Davidson

Mrs Florence Harriet Blair

Mr John Anthony Adamson

Mr David Lusk

Mr Robert Mairs Houston

Miss Valerie Jean Steele

Mr Robert Beers

Mr David Edgar Kane Carson

Mr William John Richardson

Mr Thomas Brian Morrison

Mr Alexander Miller Dalzell

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Mrs Elizabeth Jane Mann
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Mr Desie Bickerstaff
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Mr Wilbert Graham
Mr Robert Francis McCormick
Mr James Francis Peter McDowell
Mr Henry William James Lennon
Mr William Alexander Palmer
Mr Trevor Kennedy
Mr Alistair Vance
Rev William Alistair Kennedy
Rev Stephen William Orr
Rev Colin William Anthony Jones
Rev Robert Sydney Hamilton
Rev Paul Thomas Dalzell
Mr Alastair McQuoid

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Moderator
Clerk of Presbytery
Finance Convener

Rev William George Cameron
Rev John Hamilton Flaherty
Rev Mark Ronald Catney

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Miss Jill Robinson
81 Old Gransha Road
Bangor
BT19 7HA

STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

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. The following congregations of the Presbyterian Church have been assigned to The Ards Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland.

Ballyblack	Kilcooley
Ballycrochan	Kircubbin
Ballygilbert	Lisnabreen
Ballygrainey	Millisle & Ballycopeland
Ballyholme	Movilla
Ballywalter	1st Newtownards
1st Bangor	2nd Newtownards
Carrowdore & Ballyfrenis	Portaferry
Cloughey (Closed 31/8/18)	Portavogie
Conlig	Regent Street
1st Donaghadee	St Andrews
Glastry	Scrabo
Greenwell Street	Shore Street
Greyabbey	Stream
Groomsport	Trinity - Bangor
Hamilton Road	West Church - Bangor
Helen's Bay	

A Presbytery makes arrangements for the election of ministers in congregation, ordains licentiates and installs or inducts and appoints ministers in the congregations assigned to it. They also ordain or install and appoint elders, commission and appoint deaconesses, senior lecturers, auxiliary ministers, lay agents and missionaries who have been called by an authorised body in the Church. A Presbytery has a role in seeing that ministers preach the Word faithfully to their congregations, regularly visit the families under their charge, visit the sick, promote peace and temperance and see that the duties of the eldership are property discharged. Presbyteries oversee the resignation and retirements of ministers and elders.

Presbyteries provide advice to Kirk Sessions and Congregational Committees when required and have a role in approving matters in relation to congregational property. They report annually to the General Assembly and have the right to make a nomination for the office of Moderator of the General Assembly.

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. This provides an important link between the congregations and the wider structures of the church

Stated meetings of Presbytery are held the first Tuesday in every month other than January, April and June to August.

All members are entitled to propose, speak and exercise equal votes at meetings, except that the Moderator has no deliberative, but only a casting vote.

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 Presbytery is the advancement of religion.

The Ards Presbytery is a Presbytery 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.

ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

The Presbytery meets on the first Tuesday of every month in every month other than January, April and June to August, and on other occasions as required. All meetings commence with a time of worship and are opened and closed with prayer.

The Presbytery carries out the following activities

- Supports those candidating for the Ministry
- Installs & Ordains ministers and elders to congregations
- Provides pastoral support for ministers and their families
- Holds a number of events such as communion and fellowship events with the current moderator of the denomination
- PW Link is an initiative of Presbyterian Women intended to improve communications and build relationships between Presbyterian Women. PW Links include a representative from each congregation and run events to support the mission and outreach of Presbytery. During the year PW Link provides a summary of their activities during the year to a full meeting of Presbytery.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

During the year credentials were received from another Presbytery in respect of one minister who was installed in the congregation assigned to the Presbytery. On receipt of credentials one licentiate was ordained and installed in the congregation assigned to the Presbytery. Credentials were presented to another Presbytery in respect of one licentiate who was ordained and installed in the congregation assigned to that Presbytery.

One licentiate and one student were received under the care of Presbytery during the year.

The Presbytery encourages the congregations assigned to it to support 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.

The Presbytery also encourages congregations to contribute to the denominations annual World Development Appeal, Sunday School project and any other special appeals.

General Assembly

Presbyteries are represented on the various Councils of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland and report on an annual basis to the General Assembly.

Volunteers

The Trustees wish to acknowledge their deep appreciation of those who give freely of their time by serving on Presbytery, it's commissions and panels.

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The Presbyterian Church in Ireland meets the public benefit requirement by providing benefit to its members and the general public by making known the Christian Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ through the advancement of religion. The direct benefits which flow from the purposes of the Church include the gaining of an understanding in Christian beliefs as set out in the Bible and in the Church's subordinate standards (the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Shorter and Larger Catechisms) leading to spiritual and moral development and opportunities for response to Bible teaching. In turn, 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). Generally the above benefits are delivered locally by congregational churches and members, or are facilitated through presbyteries or are organised and delivered centrally. Local delivery is facilitated by central resources in almost all cases. Public access is made known through the use of noticeboards, printed material, press advertisement, websites, and social media or in other ways. The benefits are demonstrated through regular evaluation of the services and informal and ad-hoc feedback from members, their families, and members of the public. The purpose does not lead to harm. The charities beneficiaries are its members, their families, other individuals that the Presbyterian Church in Ireland is in direct and indirect contact with, the community in which pastoral services are provided and other communities throughout Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, and worldwide which benefit from our engagement with and support for both Christian and other secular organisations, charities and individual members of the public. The only private benefit flowing from our purpose is related to Ministers, Missionaries, Deaconesses, Irish Mission workers and Lay Agents who receive benefits as a result of their holding office or employment. However, this is incidental and necessary in order to further our charitable purpose. There are no other private benefits.

The Presbytery has had regard to the Charity Commissions Public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

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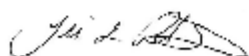
Annual return

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ARDS PRESBYTERY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

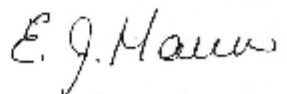
AUDITED ACCOUNTS

PRESBYTERY OF ARDS - INCIDENTAL FUND - 1 JANUARY - 31 DECEMBER 2018

<u>2017</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>2018</u>
19647	Fees from Congregations	22670
10	Bank Interest	11
0	Handling the Word Conference	1200
<u>170</u>	Progressive Building Society Interest	<u>100</u>
19827		23981
8355	Opening balance - Danske Bank (1 January 2018)	7611
<u>10583</u>	Opening balance - Progressive Building Society (2018)	<u>10753</u>
<u>38765</u>		<u>42345</u>
	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	
11804	Clerk - Allowance	12667
1284	Moderator - Allowance	1500
1284	Convenors - Finance Committee	1309
1284	Consultations	1309
772	Students	785
772	Ordination of Elders	785
513	Mission	523
641	Architect - Honorarium	654
100	Treasurer - Education Board	100
200	Treasurer - Incidental Fund	200
150	Students' Book Allowances	150
350	Grants to Missionaries under care of Presbytery	350
36	Bank Fees	37
260	Presbytery Ministers' Family Day	0
137	Insurance	140
106	Stamps, Stationery and Photocopying	138
300	Mevilla donation (Heat)	300
0	Youth Events	563
0	Pulpit Fees	136
0	Board of Education Grant	175
0	Handling the Word Conference	900
<u>408</u>	Gifts	<u>0</u>
20401		22530
7611	Closing balance - Danske Bank (31 December 2018)	8962
<u>10753</u>	Closing balance - Progressive Building Society (2018)	<u>10853</u>
<u>38765</u>		<u>42345</u>



Miss Jill Robinson - Auditor
15th January 2019



Mrs E Jean Marin - Treasurer