

Charity number: NIC106650
Company number: NI639619

Omagh Women's Aid

Trustees' report and financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024

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Legal and administrative information

Charity number NIC106650

Company registration number NI639619

Registered office 9 Holmview Terrace
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Trustees Allison Forbes
Cathy O'Neill
Susan Glass
Deborah Cunningham
Michelle McRory
Meabh Donnelly
Megan Glennie
Catherine McCaul

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Report of the trustees for the year ended 31 March 2024

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024. The trustees, who are also directors of Omagh Women's Aid for the purposes of company law and who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out below.

Structure, governance and management

Trustees

Allison Forbes	Co - Chairperson	
Susan Glass	Co - Chairperson	appointed 18th April 2024
Cathy O'Neill	Treasurer	
Deborah Cunningham		appointed 18th April 2024
Michelle McRory		appointed 18th April 2024
Megan Glennie		appointed 18th April 2024
Catherine McCaul		appointed 13th June 2024
Meabh Donnelly		appointed 13th June 2024

Committee members

Linda McKee

Objectives and activities

To relieve distress and suffering by the provision of safe temporary accommodation for women and their children, young people and vulnerable adult dependents who are, or have been, experiencing domestic, sexual or gender based violence or abuse.

To relieve distress and suffering experienced by women and their children, young people and vulnerable adult dependents by providing and/or promoting a range of support services such as information, advice centres, confidential services, counselling, outreach, court support, training and advocacy.

To relieve those in need by the provision of information and advice for those affected by domestic, sexual or gender based violence or abuse and referral to relevant support agencies.

To advance education on violence against women and girls, including trafficking and exploitation, and its effects, and to relieve those in need by promoting its prevention and the protection of those affected.

To advance education on domestic, sexual and gender based violence and abuse and their effects, and to advocate for and to relieve those in need by promoting their prevention and the protection of those affected.

To advance women's and children's human rights and gender equality to relieve the suffering and distress caused by violence emanating from the violation, impairment or nullification of enjoyment of their human rights and fundamental freedoms.

The promotion of such other charitable purposes as may from time to time be determined in accordance with Northern Ireland charity law.

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Achievements and performance

For year 2023/2024 Omagh Women's Aid continued to provide crisis and essential support services to women and children who experienced domestic violence. The year seen 17 women and 9 children accommodated at our refuge and 104 children supported through services provided to mothers. 86 women availed of support from our community-based support project. Early 2023 since the completion of the refurbishment work at our refuge making the surroundings more comfortable for our clients. Our Triage project processed more women than ever identifying high risk cases and this project continued to enable OWA to provide a comprehensive service for clients. The many courses facilitated through the Empowerment project continued to be enjoyed by many women.

We continued to lead in the provision of domestic abuse services to women, children and young people across the Omagh and surrounding district and in early 2023 Supporting People again approved us to provide services. This process checks that organisations have the capability, structure and capacity to deliver high quality, value for money support services. Throughout the year we strengthened our links with statutory and voluntary organisations in the district. We also forged new links and continued to work with all like-minded bodies. Local community groups, churches, schools, and charities supported us in our work and helped clients in many ways e.g. with donations, equipment and food boxes/parcels. All this local support is invaluable and we thank all for their contributions.

Finally, all the work is not possible without our team of dedicated staff and volunteers who work tirelessly for the clients and continue to achieve better lives and futures for victims.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees (who are also directors of Omagh Women's Aid for the purpose of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees have complied with the duty to have regard to the guidance issued by the Commission under section 4(b) 'of the Charities Act (the public benefit requirement statutory guidance)


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Small company provisions

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

On behalf of the board



Cathy O'Neill

2nd December 2024

Charity number : NIC 106650

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Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Omagh Women's Aid.

I report on the accounts of Omagh Women's Aid for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages . .

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees (and also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law, and is eligible for independent examination, 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 Charity Commission for Northern Ireland 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 Charities Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. The 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 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland
4. That there is no 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.



Independent examiner

Mr. Brian Mellon
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O'Donnell & Mellon
19/21 Castle Street
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Co. Tyrone

2nd December 2024

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Statement of financial activities (incorporating the income and expenditure account)

For the year ended 31 March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Period ended 2024 £	Period ended 2023 £
Income and endowments from					
Donations and legacies		3,391		3,391	18,396
Charitable activities	2	12,460	334,885	347,345	336,935
Other	3	21,408	-	21,408	5,184
Total		<u>37,259</u>	<u>334,885</u>	<u>372,144</u>	<u>360,515</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	4	7,880	311,053	318,933	326,247
Other	5	92	-	92	111
Total		<u>7,972</u>	<u>311,053</u>	<u>319,025</u>	<u>326,358</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		29,287	23,832	53,119	34,157
Net incoming resources for the year /					
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		190,201	259,964	450,165	416,008
		39,366	(95,805)	(56,439)	
Total funds carried forward		<u>258,854</u>	<u>187,991</u>	<u>446,845</u>	<u>450,165</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance sheet as at 31 March 2024

	Notes	£	2024	£	£	2023	£
Fixed assets							
Tangible assets	9			5,793			5,793
Current assets							
Debtors	10	33,688			24,617		
Cash at bank and in hand		477,185			527,833		
		<u>510,873</u>			<u>552,450</u>		
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(69,821)			(108,078)		
Net current assets				441,052			444,372
Net assets				<u>446,845</u>			<u>450,165</u>
Funds							
Restricted income funds:				75,114			90,648
Restricted income funds S.P.				112,877			169,316
Total restricted income funds	12			187,991			259,964
Unrestricted income funds	13			258,854			190,201
Total funds				<u>446,845</u>			<u>450,165</u>

The Balance Sheet continues on the following page.

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Balance sheet (continued)

Trustees statements required by the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2024

In approving these financial statements as trustees of the company we hereby confirm:


- (a) that for the year stated above the company was entitled to the exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies;
- (b) no members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.
- (c) that we acknowledge our responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved by the board on 2 December 2024 and signed on its behalf by



Allison Forbes
Director



Cathy O'Neill
Director

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Notes to financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024

1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below.

1.1. Basis of accounting and assessment of going concern

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statements of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)(effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

1.2. Cashflow

The charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS1 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement because it is a small charity.

1.3. Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the statement of financial activities when receivable. Grants where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

Gifts donated for resale are included as incoming resources within activities for generating funds when they are sold.

Grants, including grants for the purchase of fixed assets, are recognised in full in the statement of financial activities in the year in which they are receivable.

Income from investments is included in the year in which it is receivable.

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1.4. Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes including the charity's shop.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity and include project management.

1.5. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment - 25% straight line

1.6. Defined benefit pension schemes

The charity operates a defined benefit pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

Current service costs, past service costs and gains and losses on settlements and curtailments are charged to appropriate resources expended categories in the statement of financial activities. Past service costs are recognised over the vesting period or immediately if the benefits have vested. When a settlement (eliminating all obligations for benefits already accrued) or a curtailment (reducing future obligations as a result of a material reduction in the scheme membership or a reduction in future entitlement) occurs, the obligation and related plan assets are remeasured using current actuarial assumptions and the resultant gain or loss is recognised in the statement of financial activities during the period in which the settlement or curtailment occurs.

The interest cost and the expected return on assets are shown as a net amount as other finance costs or income. Net pension finance costs are allocated to appropriate resources expended categories in the statement of financial activities. Net pension finance income is recognised as an incoming resource in the statement of financial activities. Actuarial gains and losses are recognised immediately as other recognised gains and losses in the statement of financial activities.

Pension scheme assets are valued at fair value at the balance sheet date. Fair value is based on market price information and in the case of quoted securities is the published bid price. Pension scheme liabilities are measured on an actuarial basis using the projected unit method and are discounted to their present value using a rate equivalent to the current rate of return on a high quality corporate bond of equivalent currency and term to the scheme liabilities. The pension scheme [Either: "surplus (to the extent that it can be recovered) OR "deficit"] is recognised in full on the balance sheet, net of related deferred tax.

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2. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Children in Need Children & Young Persons		15,670	15,670	8,147
Floating support (NIHE)		35,251	35,251	33,834
Housing Management		35,229	35,229	25,800
WHSCCT		40,563	40,563	36,877
WHSCCT Hope in Common		2,156	2,156	2,844
WHSCCT Children & Young Persons		-	-	5,000
Supporting People (NIHE)		164,315	164,315	157,473
SRP phase 2		-	-	2,897
Sustaining Healthy Homes (NIHE)		917	917	14,761
FODC		-	-	575
Halifax		10,000	10,000	12,026
Nationwide Community grant		21,619	21,619	13,381
The Community Foundation - RTE Toy Show Appeal		-	-	9,502
CLEAR		475	475	2,780
EmpowHer project		8,690	8,690	-
Comic Relief Big Night In	-	-	-	-
WAFNI	-	-	-	1,700
Omagh Women's Aid	12,460		12,460	9,338
	<u>12,460</u>	<u>334,885</u>	<u>347,345</u>	<u>336,935</u>

3. Other income

	Unrestricted funds £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Xmas appeal	10,860	10,860	2,138
Fundraising	2,125	2,125	
Bank interest receivable	8,423	8,423	3,046
	<u>21,408</u>	<u>21,408</u>	<u>5,184</u>

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4. Costs of charitable activities

	Charitable Activities £	Support costs £	Governance £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Children & Young Person's	15,499	-	171	15,670	13,147
Steps to Safety project	-	-	-	-	9,502
Floating Support (NIHE)	54,364	-	394	54,758	51,694
Housing Management	31,566	-	-	31,566	27,740
Supporting People (NIHE)	143,309	-	685	143,994	140,284
SRP phase 2	-	-	-	-	2,226
Advice, accommodation & support	26,830	-	-	26,830	23,337
EmpowerHer project	16,614	-	-	16,614	14,807
Slow cooker programme (FODC)	-	-	-	-	575
Nationwide Community project	21,448	-	171	21,619	13,381
Sustaining healthy homes (NIHE)	-	-	-	-	14,761
Hope in Common (WHSCT)	-	-	-	-	2,844
Central costs	-	7,709	171	7,880	11,949
	<u>309,630</u>	<u>7,709</u>	<u>1,592</u>	<u>318,931</u>	<u>326,247</u>

5. Other resources expended

	Unrestricted funds £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Other charges	-	-	16
Bank fees	92	92	95
	<u>92</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>111</u>

6. Employees

Employment costs	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries and pensions	<u>215,094</u>	<u>214,786</u>

No salaries or wages have been paid to the trustees during the year.

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 (2023 : None).

8. Taxation

The charity's activities fall within the exemptions afforded by the provisions of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988. Accordingly, there is no taxation charge in these accounts.

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9. Tangible fixed assets	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£
Cost		
At 1 April 2023	43,508	43,508
At 31 March 2024	43,508	43,508
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2023	37,715	37,715
At 31 March 2024	37,715	37,715
Net book values		
At 31 March 2024	5,793	5,793
At 31 March 2023	5,793	5,793

10. Debtors	2024	2023
	£	£
Sadift	-	6,000
NIHE Rents ledger	19,688	14,120
The Community Foundation	-	4,497
Other debtors	14,000	-
	33,688	24,617

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11. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Corporate credit card	1,815	-
Creditors	11,703	25,393
Nationwide Community Fund	4,460	26,079
WHSCT home heating initiative	-	53
Halifax Foundation	12,714	22,741
Children in Need	10,201	25,871
The Community Foundation	3,877	3,877
Comic relief	13,000	-
All state foundation	13,500	-
WHSCT Hope in Common	-	2,156
NIHE sustaining healthy homes	-	1,084
CLEAR project	-	1,220
Other taxes and social security	(1,449)	(396)
	<u>69,821</u>	<u>108,078</u>

12. Restricted funds

	At 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfer Recovery £	At 2024 £
S.P.	169,316	199,566	(199,566)	(56,439)	112,877
Others	90,648	135,319	(111,485)	(39,366)	75,116
	<u>259,964</u>	<u>334,885</u>	<u>(311,051)</u>	<u>(95,805)</u>	<u>187,993</u>

13. Unrestricted funds

	At 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers £	At 2024 £
	190,201	37,259	(7,972)	39,366	258,854
	<u>190,201</u>	<u>37,259</u>	<u>(7,972)</u>	<u>39,366</u>	<u>258,854</u>

14. Company limited by guarantee

Omagh Women's Aid is a company limited by guarantee and accordingly does not have a share capital.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute such amount as may be required not exceeding £1 to the assets of the charitable company in the event of its being wound up while he or she is a member, or within one year after he or she ceases to be a member.