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Mid Ulster Community and Arts Trust Ltd.
(A company limited by guarantee)

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

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Legal and administrative information

Charity number NIC106734

Company registration number NI 47488

Registered office The Patrician
Main Street
Carrickmore
Co. Tyrone
BT78 9AY

Trustees Tracey McNally
Jim Maguire
Colm McCrystal
Eithne McElduff
Luke Daly
Aiden Donnelly
James Dobbs

Accountants O'Donnell & Mellon
19/21 Castle Street
Omagh
Co. Tyrone
BT78 1DD

Bankers AIB

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Trustees' report
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The Trustees' report and the financial statements for the period ended 31 October 2024.

Objectives and activities

The objective of the company shall be to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the Mid-Ulster area and its environs without distinction of sex, race, ethnicity or political, religious or other opinions by:

1. Promote arts and culture by:
the presentation of concerts, performances, exhibitions, fairs and cultural events including those of music, drama, dance, film shows and crafts exhibitions; encouraging appreciation of and participation in community arts and creative arts by people in the area of benefit; the provision of arts and crafts classes and training.
2. Advance education and training by organising and/or delivering a range of classes, tuition and educational activities.
3. Promote amateur sport and healthy recreation by providing facilities for playing sport such as bowls, boxing and badminton and keep fit activities
4. Relieve those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage, in particular by organising activities and health promotion events specifically for older and young people.
5. Provide facilities and organise activities for families and the community in the interests of social welfare for recreation and other leisure time occupations with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said residents.

Achievement and performances

This fiscal year, Mid Ulster Community and Arts Trust Ltd (MUCAT) has continued its dedication to fostering a vibrant community hub at The Patrician. Building on 60 years as a centre of culture, creativity, and community in Carrickmore, MUCAT's programme included a rich variety of events, performances, and ongoing activities that brought together residents of all ages. Early in the fiscal year, MUCAT hosted The Highstool Prophets and Whistlin' Donkeys over Easter weekend as fundraisers, providing much-needed revenue for the hall's operations. Additionally, the year saw The Addams Family production and the 100 Years of Country Music, both organised by MUCAT and warmly received by audiences. The Patrician's monthly social dance continued to flourish, and weekly programmes continued as usual, serving diverse community needs: Chair Exercise, Pilates, and yoga offered a health-focused outlet for older and younger participants alike, while Termon Trad traditional music sessions engaged participants in guitar, banjo, fiddle, and accordion lessons. A wide array of additional weekly activities, including Patrician Tots, Starbreakers, and the Afternoon Club, further enriched the year's programme.

The Patrician also hosted multiple events and exhibitions. The Mid Ulster Festival of Amateur Drama returned, drawing significant crowds and celebrating talent from across Ireland. The hall's versatile space allowed it to host events such as blood donation drives which underscored its role as a centre for community health and wellness. Additionally, both Dean Maguire College and St. Colmcille's Primary School staged productions of Sister Act and The Witches of Oz respectively, further establishing The Patrician as an invaluable resource for local education and the arts.

MUCAT also used the opportunity to showcase The Patrician's historical importance with the BBC programme If Walls Could Talk, which spotlighted the building's legacy as a performance venue and a cherished community space. Coinciding with the programme, MUCAT premiered its own film, If Walls Could Talk, which offered a community-centred narrative of The Patrician's 60-year history.

Facility Upgrades and Funding Initiatives

MUCAT was diligent in pursuing funding opportunities to sustain and enhance The Patrician's infrastructure. Throughout the year, significant upgrades were completed thanks to grants from various organisations. MUCAT secured funding from the Arts Council for the installation of automated front doors and bilingual signage, which improved accessibility and inclusivity for all visitors. Grants from the Foyle Foundation, Garfield Weston Foundation, and Ulster Garden Villages facilitated a comprehensive refurbishment of the ladies' toilet facilities; a high-standard renovation widely praised for its cleanliness and functionality.

Additional funding from Community Foundation supported an upgrade of the office, enhancing workspaces for staff and volunteers. The ESB Wind Farm Community Fund financed the installation of laminate flooring, improving the aesthetic appeal and durability of heavily trafficked areas. Smaller grants enabled MUCAT to purchase a projector and casting device, supporting multimedia presentations and broadening event possibilities.

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Future developments

Looking forward, MUCAT has secured funding for several projects aimed at maintaining and upgrading The Patrician's facilities. Key initiatives include the planned significant heating system upgrade, with funding from Community Foundation and DTFF. A grant from The Honorable The Irish Society will facilitate the purchase of robotic mops and vacuums, enhancing the efficiency of facility maintenance.

The facade upgrade, including a draught lobby for improved insulation and energy efficiency, is also slated for the coming year. Discussions with FODC regarding the transfer of the adjoining public toilet facilities into The Patrician are progressing positively, with an anticipated service-level agreement. The year will also feature the production of Jimmy's Hall in November, as well as the return of the popular cookery classes in December. MUCAT is committed to sustaining its role as a vital and inclusive community hub for Carrickmore, with weekly activities, special events, and facility improvements that enhance the experience for all visitors.

Structure, governance and management

The trustees who served during the year are as stated below:

Tracey McNally

Jim Maguire

Colm McCrystal

Luke Daly

Eithne McElduff

Aiden Donnelly

James Dobbs

Statement of responsibilities

The trustees (who are also directors on the charity 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 Acceptable Accounting Practice.

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

- select suitable accounting policies and 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the 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 which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

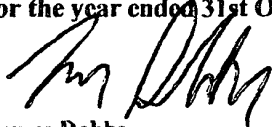
Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions for small companies under Companies Act 2006

This report was approved by the Board on 22 January 2025 and signed on its behalf by

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Trustees' report
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'James Dobbs', is written over the text of the report title.

James Dobbs
Director

The Patrician
Main Street
Carrickmore

NIC106734

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Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Mid Ulster Community and Arts Trust Ltd..

I report on the accounts of Mid Ulster Community and Arts Trust Ltd. for the year ended 31st October 2024 which are set out on pages 6 to 15.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and independent 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 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 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. Joe Quinn
F.C.C.A.
O'Donnell & Mellon
19/21 Castle Street
OMAGH
Co. Tyrone

22 January 2025

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Statement of financial activities

For the year ended 31st October 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Income and endowments from					
Donations and legacies		1,998		1,998	94
Charitable activities	3	33,544	48,268	81,812	56,213
Other	4	55,675		55,675	43,952
Total		<u>91,217</u>	<u>48,268</u>	<u>139,485</u>	<u>100,259</u>
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	5	25,562	4,520	30,082	26,922
Charitable activities	6	53,040	43,748	96,788	77,340
Other	7	9,509		9,509	8,973
Total		<u>88,111</u>	<u>48,268</u>	<u>136,379</u>	<u>113,235</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		3,106	-	3,106	(12,976)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		81,502	31,881	113,383	126,359
Total funds carried forward		<u>84,608</u>	<u>31,881</u>	<u>116,489</u>	<u>113,384</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 31st October 2024

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible fixed assets	9		83,930		90,793
Current assets					
Debtors	10	5,804		2,837	
Bank and cash		43,211		31,947	
		<u>49,015</u>		<u>34,784</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	<u>(16,456)</u>		<u>(12,194)</u>	
Net current assets			32,559		22,590
Net assets			<u>116,489</u>		<u>113,383</u>
Funds					
Restricted income funds			31,881		31,881
Unrestricted income funds			(5,392)		(8,498)
Revaluation reserve			90,000		90,000
Total unrestricted income funds			<u>84,608</u>		<u>81,502</u>
Total funds			<u>116,489</u>		<u>113,383</u>

The Balance Sheet continues on the following page.

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

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Balance sheet (continued)

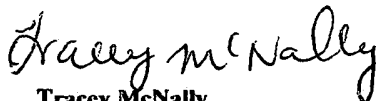
**Trustees' statements required by Companies Act 2006
for the year ended 31st October 2024**

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

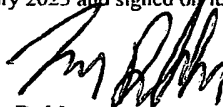
- (a) that for the year stated above the company was entitled to the exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies;
- (b) no members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.
- (c) that we acknowledge 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 22 January 2025 and signed on its behalf by



Tracey McNally
Director



James Dobbs
Director

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

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Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31st October 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 Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (NI) 2015 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. 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:

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.

1.3. 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 charitable activities includes those activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

Other expenditure represents those items not falling into any other heading.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the charity's activities. These costs have been allocated between cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities.

1.4. 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 or valuation less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Leasehold properties	-	Straight line over the life of the lease
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	20% Reducing balance

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2. Donations and legacies

	unrestricted	2,024 Total	2,023 Total
	£	£	£
Donations	1,998	1,998	94
	<u>1,998</u>	<u>1,998</u>	<u>94</u>

3. Income from Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2024 Total	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£
Arts programme	-	-	-	8,913
FODC Warm Space	-	-	-	500
FODC Culture night fund	-	-	-	200
FODC Community Premises Support	-	-	-	200
FODC 100 Years of Country Music	-	1,500	1,500	-
Energia Tyrone 3 Windfarms Community Benefit Fund	-	3,000	3,000	16,480
Energia Tyrone 3 Windfarms Comm. Found. - Facade	-	1,000	1,000	-
SECAD - Wind Farm Community Fund	-	2,464	2,464	-
ESB Wind Farm Community Fund	-	-	-	6,000
Department of Communities COVID Recovery Fund	-	-	-	1,104
The National Lottery - Together for Our Planet	-	530	530	1,470
Groundworks	-	500	500	-
Inishative Community Benefit Fund	-	2,000	2,000	2,000
Cregganconroe Community Benefit Fund	-	-	-	2,000
The Older People's Fund	-	3,700	3,700	1,300
Nationwide Community Fund - Culture & Community	-	208	208	4,330
Foyle Foundation	-	5,000	5,000	-
FODC Addams Family	-	1,520	1,520	-
Ulster Garden Villages Limited	-	5,000	5,000	-
Garfield Weston Foundation	-	3,000	3,000	-
Developing Healthy Communities - Clear Project	-	5,000	5,000	-
Arts Council - Health & Safety Capital Programme	-	9,900	9,900	-
Openreach Community Fund	-	1,650	1,650	-
DAERA - Rural Micro Capital Grant Scheme	-	1,396	1,396	-
Honourable Irish Society	-	900	900	-
Facility hire	12,729	-	12,729	10,896
Participant fees	3,390	-	3,390	-
Art classes	-	-	-	820
Stay young - chair exercise classes	500	-	500	-
Youth Drama	16,525	-	16,525	-
Patrician Tots	400	-	400	-
	<u>33,544</u>	<u>48,268</u>	<u>81,812</u>	<u>56,213</u>

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4. Other income

	Unrestricted funds £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Bar income	13,270	13,270	5,591
Teen disco	-	-	172
The Addams Family production	750	750	7,215
Fundraising events	38,655	38,655	30,974
Surestart - Rent	3,000	3,000	-
	<u>55,675</u>	<u>55,675</u>	<u>43,952</u>

5. Expenditure on Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Year 2024 Total £	Year 2023 Total £
Bar costs	12,689		12,689	26,922
The Addams family production	-	4,520	4,520	
Staging fundraising events	12,873		12,873	-
	<u>25,562</u>	<u>4,520</u>	<u>30,082</u>	<u>26,922</u>

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6. Expenditure on Charitable activities

	Charitable activities	Governance costs	Other Support costs	2024 Total	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Wages & salaries	9,260		490	9,750	8,250
Core operating costs - FODC				-	200
Core operating costs			19,413	19,413	15,790
Repairs & maintenance			5,768	5,768	5,283
Tutor costs	15,065			15,065	640
Culture night	-			-	200
Music events for older peoples	208			208	3,530
Tackling fast fashion	450			450	1,470
Chair pilate exercise classes	4,450			4,450	1,300
Warm Space provision				-	500
Health & safety capital programme	9,909			9,909	9,113
Lobby upgrade and space provision	-			-	19,034
Facade upgrade	1,000			1,000	2,463
Disabled bathroom table upgrade	-			-	2,000
Ladies toilets upgrade	13,065			13,065	-
Office upgrade	2,720			2,720	-
DEARA Capital Grant	1,683			1,683	
SECAD Upgrade flooring	2,464			2,464	
100 Years of Country Music	1,500			1,500	
Groundworks Halfzips	776			776	
Equipment	4,254			4,254	
Governance costs	-	4,313		4,313	7,569
	<u>66,804</u>	<u>4,313</u>	<u>25,671</u>	<u>96,787</u>	<u>77,340</u>

7. Other expenditure

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024 Total	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£
Donations	1,900		1,900	550
Bank charges	746		746	539
Lease amortisation	2,777		2,777	2,777
Depreciation	4,086		4,086	5,107
	<u>9,509</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,509</u>	<u>8,973</u>

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8. Employees

Employment costs	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	<u>9,750</u>	<u>8,250</u>

Number of employees

The average monthly numbers of employees during the year, calculated on the basis of full time equivalents, was as follows:

2024	2023
Number	Number
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

The charity considers its key management personnel to comprise of the Trustees.
None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits.

No trustees expenses have been incurred.

9. Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings freehold £	leasehold property £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 November 2023	25,915	90,000	25,539	141,454
At 31 October 2024	<u>25,915</u>	<u>90,000</u>	<u>25,539</u>	<u>141,454</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 November 2023	-	45,554	5,107	50,661
Charge for the year	-	<u>2,777</u>	<u>4,086</u>	<u>6,863</u>
At 31 October 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>48,331</u>	<u>9,193</u>	<u>57,524</u>
Net book values				
At 31 October 2024	<u>25,915</u>	<u>41,669</u>	<u>16,346</u>	<u>83,930</u>
At 31 October 2023	<u>25,915</u>	<u>44,446</u>	<u>20,432</u>	<u>90,793</u>

The market value of the building is not applicable as the land on which the building is situated is owned by St Patrick's Archdiocesan Trust Limited and its use is restricted to that of a Community & Arts Centre.

The charity's lease with St. Patrick's has a remaining useful life of eighteen years and has a market value of £90,000 as valued by an independant valuer.

In October 2021, the Diocesan Property Committee approved an extension of the lease agreement for an additional eight years.

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10. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Debtors	5,354	2,837
VAT	450	-
FODC - Community Premises Support	-	-
Slieve Divena Community Fund	-	-
	<u>5,804</u>	<u>2,837</u>

11. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Creditors	7,393	683
The National Lottery Fund	-	530
Tesco Community Grant - jerseys	-	500
Community Foundation Cregganconroe	2,000	-
Energia Tyrone 3 Windfarms Community Benefit fund Hall lobby upgrade and space	4,000	-
Energia Tyrone 3 Windfarms Community Benefit fund Pantomime for All	-	3,000
Nationwide Community Fund - Culture and Community	-	208
The Older People's Fund - exercise classes	-	3,700
Taxes and social security creditor	300	660
Accruals and deferred income	2,763	2,913
	<u>16,456</u>	<u>12,194</u>

12. Company limited by guarantee

Mid Ulster Community and Arts Trust Ltd. 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.