

Gafcon Ireland

Northern Ireland · Charity number 106747

Details

Status	Received
Company number	640941
Registered	2017-07-24
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

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Activities

Purposes: The advancement of the orthodox Anglican Christian faith within Ireland by upholding the Jerusalem Declaration set out in the schedule to these articles and originally confessed within the Jerusalem Statement of the Global Anglican Future Conference, held in 2008 to restore Anglican commitment to biblical truth through faithful preaching, teaching and obedience thus uniting Anglicans under Christ and revitalising a commitment to guarding and proclaiming to the world the unchanging, transforming gospel of Jesus Christ.

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	£16,019	£16,611	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Timothy George Anderson		
Rev Trevor Johnston		
Rev William Henry Blair		

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GAFCON IRELAND – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 December 2024





Statement of Financial Activities (including Income & Expenditure Account) for the year ended 31 December 2024

		Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
	Notes				
Incoming Resources					
Incoming Resources from generated funds:					
Voluntary Income:					
Donations and Grants	2	4,732	0	4,732	5,786
Incoming resources from charitable activities:					
Conferences & Seminars	3	10,281	1,006	11,287	8,771
Total incoming resources		15,013	1,006	16,019	14,557
Resources expended					
Costs of generating funds					
Costs of generating voluntary income		0	0	0	0
Charitable activities	4	14,717	1,006	15,722	17,621
Governance Costs	4	889	0	889	762
Total Resources Expended		15,606	1,006	16,611	18,383
Net income for the year. (Net incoming resources before other recognised gains)					
		(593)	0	(593)	(3,826)
Other recognised gains					
		0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		(593)	0	(593)	(3,826)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		3,007	0	3,007	6,833
Total funds carried forward		2,414	0	2,414	3,007

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities



Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2024

	Notes	2024	2023
Fixed Assets			
Tangible Assets	9	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
		0	0
Current Assets			
Debtors		0	0
Prepayments		369	400
Cash in bank and in hand		<u>2,745</u>	<u>3,207</u>
		3,114	3,607
Current Liabilities			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	10	<u>(700)</u>	<u>(600)</u>
Net Current Assets		2,414	3,007
Net Assets		2,414	3,007
Unrestricted Funds	12		
General Funds		<u>2,414</u>	<u>3,007</u>
		2,414	3,007
Restricted Funds		0	<u>0</u>
Total Funds		<u>2,414</u>	<u>3,007</u>

These accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small entities.

Approved by the Directors on 25 June 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Revd. Tim Anderson
(Director)

Revd. Trevor Johnston
(Director)

Signed by:

Tim Anderson

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Signed by:

Trevor Johnston

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Notes forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

Note 1 - Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and in the preceding year.

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of fixed asset investments at market value, and in accordance with the Companies Act 1985 and the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities) issued in February 2016

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the Management Committee for particular purposes.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to, and virtually certain to receive, the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following 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.

Incoming resources from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are



accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance

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 if applicable.

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.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the costs of the independent examination and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SoFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis e.g. floor areas, per capita or estimated usage as set out in Note 4.

Fixed assets

If Fixed assets (excluding investments) are listed they are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. The costs of minor additions or those costing below £1,000 are not capitalised. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset over its expected useful life (estimated by the nature of the asset) . Impairment reviews are carried out as and when evidence comes to light that that the recoverable amount of a functional fixed asset is below its net book value due to damage, obsolescence or other relevant factors.

If Investments are held as fixed assets are revalued at mid-market value at the balance sheet date and the gain or loss taken to the Statement of Financial Activities.

**Note 2 - Donations**

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024 Total	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£
Donations	0	0	0	5,786
Donations – regular giving	3,020	0	3,020	0
Donations – one off gifts	1,712	0	1,712	0
	4,732	0	4,732	5,786

Note 3 - Incoming Resources from Activities to further the Charities Objects

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024 Total	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£
Conferences & Seminars	0	0	0	8,771
Theology Ireland	7,808	1,006	8,814	0
Gafcon Ireland Residential	2,473	0	2,473	0
	10,281	1,006	11,287	8,771

Note 4 - Total Resources Expended

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024 Total	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£
Costs Directly Allocated to Activities				
Conferences & Seminars	14,317	1,006	15,322	17,621
Ministry donations	400	0	400	0
	14,717	1,006	15,722	17,621
Governance Costs				
Accounting & Legal	384	0	384	350
General Costs	505	0	505	412
	889	0	889	762



Note 5 - Staff Costs

There were no staff costs paid during the year

Note 6 - Trustee Remuneration & Related Party Transactions

No directors received any remuneration during the year. The total out of pocket expenses reimbursed to the directors was £6,912 (2023: £6,138).

Note 7 - Taxation

As a charity, Gafcon Ireland is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the Charity.

Note 8 – Tangible Fixed Assets

There are no tangible fixed assets to date.

Note 9 – Investments

There are no investments to date.

Note 10 - Creditors: Amounts Falling Due within One Year

At 31st December 2024 there was £700 due for accounting and the independent examination



Note 11 - Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024 Total
	£	£	£
Current assets	3,114	0	3,114
Current liabilities	(700)	0	(700)
Net assets at 31 December 2024	2,414	0	2,414

Note 12 - Movement in Funds

	At 1 Jan 2024	Incom Res.	Outg Res	Transfers	At 31 Dec 24
	£	£	£		
Restricted Funds	0	1,006	(1,006)	0	0
Unrestricted Funds	3,007	15,013	(15,606)	0	2,414

Purposes of Restricted Funds

The restricted funds received during the year were designated for the running of the 2024 Theology Ireland conference.

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2023**



Statement of Financial Activities (including Income & Expenditure Account) for the year ended 31 December 2023

		Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
	Notes				
Incoming Resources					
Incoming Resources from generated funds:					
Voluntary Income:					
Donations and Grants	2	5,786	0	5,786	7,470
Incoming resources from charitable activities:					
Conferences & Seminars	3	8,771	0	8,771	3,283
Total incoming resources		14,557	0	14,557	10,753
Resources expended					
Costs of generating funds					
Costs of generating voluntary income		0	0	0	0
Charitable activities	4	17,621	0	17,621	12,865
Governance Costs	4	762	0	762	780
Total Resources Expended		18,383	0	18,383	13,645
Net income for the year. (Net incoming resources before other recognised gains)					
		(3,826)	0	(3,826)	(2,892)
Other recognised gains					
		0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		(3,826)	0	(3,826)	(2,892)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		6,833	0	6,833	9,725
Total funds carried forward		3,007	0	3,007	6,833

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2023

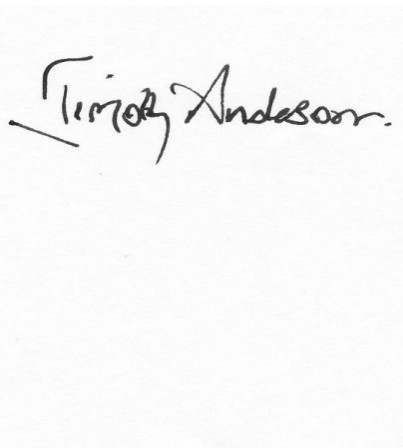
	Notes	2023	2022
Fixed Assets			
Tangible Assets	9	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
		0	0
Current Assets			
Debtors		0	0
Prepayments		400	360
Cash in bank and in hand		<u>3,207</u>	<u>7,072</u>
		3,607	7,432
Current Liabilities			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	10	<u>(600)</u>	<u>(600)</u>
Net Current Assets		3,007	6,832
Net Assets		3,007	6,832
Unrestricted Funds	12		
General Funds		<u>3,007</u>	<u>2,813</u>
		3,007	2,813
Restricted Funds		0	4,020
Total Funds		3,007	6,833

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Approved by the Directors on 26th June 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Rev. Tim Anderson (Director)

Rev. Trevor Johnston (Director)




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Note 2 - Donations

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023 Total	2022 Total
	£	£	£	£
Donations	5,786	0	5,786	7,470
	5,786	0	5,786	7,470

Note 3 - Incoming Resources from Activities to further the Charities Objects

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023 Total	2022 Total
	£	£	£	£
Conferences & Seminars	8,771	0	8,771	3,283
	8,771	0	8,771	3,283

Note 4 - Total Resources Expended

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023 Total	2022 Total
	£	£	£	£
Costs Directly Allocated to Activities				
Conferences & Seminars	17,621	0	17,621	12,865
	17,621	0	17,621	12,865
Governance Costs				
Accounting & Legal	350	0	350	350
General Costs	412	0	412	430
	762	0	762	780

Note 5 - Staff Costs

There were no staff costs paid during the year

Note 6 - Trustee Remuneration & Related Party Transactions

No directors received any remuneration during the year. The total out of pocket expenses reimbursed to the directors was £6,138 (2022: £1,416).

Note 7 - Taxation

As a charity, Gafcon Ireland is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the Charity.

Note 8 – Tangible Fixed Assets

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Note 9 – Investments

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Note 10 - Creditors: Amounts Falling Due within One Year

At 31st December 2023 there was £600 due for accounting and the independent examination

Note 11 - Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023 Total
	£	£	£
Current assets	3,607	0	3,607
Current liabilities	(600)	0	(600)
Net assets at 31 December 2023	<u>3,007</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,007</u>

**Note 12 - Movement in
Funds**

	At 1 Jan 2023	Incom Res.	Outg Res	Transfers	At 31 Dec 23
	£	£	£		
Restricted Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Unrestricted Funds	6,833	14,557	18,383	0	3,007

Purposes of Restricted Funds

Not applicable as all income received was of an unrestricted nature.

Gafcon Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 106747

Annual report

The Council presents its directors' report and unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Gafcon Ireland
Charity registration number (NI): 106747
Company registration number (NI): 640941

Registered Office and operational address:

**26 Ballyregan Road,
Dundonald,
Belfast, BT16 1HY
Northern Ireland**

Gafcon Ireland in 2023 was led by a Council of six men and two women, three Executive Directors (also Council Members), and an Operations Manager.

Council of Members

1. Revd. Timothy Anderson
2. Revd. Trevor Johnston
3. Revd. Canon Bill Press
4. Rt. Revd. David McClay
5. Miss Ruth Bridcut
6. Revd. Canon Bryan Martin
7. Miss Erin Topley
8. Revd. Canon Henry Blair

Directors/Management Team

Revd. Timothy Anderson	Director
Revd. Trevor Johnston	Director
Revd. Canon Henry Blair	Director (from June 2023)

Brian Haugh	Operations Manager (up to June 2023)
Peter Reid	Operations Manager (from June 2023)

Financial Advisor – Jack Simpson ACA, 24 Larkfield Gardens, Belfast, BT4 1QR

Bankers – Barclays Bank, 17 Castle Place, Belfast, BT1 1EL

Our Aims and objectives

Purposes and Aims

Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum of association are to:

GUARD THE UNCHANGING, TRANSFORMING GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST AND TO PROCLAIM HIM TO IRELAND, AND THE NATIONS

A global movement

Gafcon began in 2008 when moral compromise, doctrinal error and the collapse of biblical witness in parts of the Anglican communion had reached such a level that the leaders of the majority of the world's Anglicans felt it was necessary to take a united stand for truth. A crowd of more than one thousand witnesses, including Primates, Archbishops, Bishops, clergy and lay leaders gathered in Jerusalem for the Global Anglican Future Conference (Gafcon). The outcome of that first conference was the Jerusalem Statement and Declaration - a commitment to authentic Anglican doctrine founded on the clear and present word of God - The Bible. In 2013 in Nairobi, 2018 in Jerusalem and 2023 in Kigali there were also Global Conferences with significantly increased and growing numbers attending. Gafcon aims to help and support Anglican churches around the world remain faithful to the Bible's teaching as they pursue Christian ministry and mission in this context.

As well as the nine Gafcon Provinces throughout the world, there are seven regional branches: Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, the UK, Ireland, Tanzania and Ghana. Further branches are planned in Sudan and Pakistan.

Gafcon Ireland launched on 21 April 2018 and is the local expression of the global Gafcon movement. We are a fellowship of Anglican (Church of Ireland) Christians in Ireland who are passionate about the message of Jesus Christ and Him crucified, and join with like-minded people around the world in the Gafcon movement. Gafcon Ireland sees the desperate need on the island of Ireland for the authentic gospel of Jesus Christ and Him crucified—the only way God is reconciled to humanity. Like Thomas Cranmer, the great Anglican reformer, we are proud to be labelled people of this gospel.

Gafcon Ireland shares the passion of the global movement to be a whole-church movement - the leadership and membership joined together in Christ's mission. Gafcon Ireland is devoted to staying true to the Bible's teaching and acts for the glory of Jesus the King! Gafcon Ireland is led by a Council of up to twelve men and women, three Executive Directors (also Council Members), and an Operations Manager. It is a Registered Company limited by guarantee and has charitable status

Four ways our work delivers our aims

Gafcon Ireland seeks to ensure our work delivers our aims in the following four ways:

- ❑ Proclaim the message of Jesus Christ crucified and risen
- ❑ Partner with others who love the Lord
- ❑ Plant new congregations
- ❑ Prepare Christian people for ministry

Proclaiming the only name that saves rebels from God's anger into eternal life reconciled to Him. This message is essential for all people to hear. So we devote ourselves to proclaiming it everywhere - training all Christian people to know and love the Lord and promoting this gospel. So, Gafcon Ireland proclaims the gospel. In June 2018 the branch sent a delegation of 31 men and women to Gafcon in Jerusalem with the theme Proclaiming Christ Faithfully to the Nations. In April 2023 a similar number attended Gafcon IV in Kigali, Rwanda.

Partnering with those who share the Anglican passion for spreading the gospel on this island and around the world. We are particularly interested in supporting those Anglican Christians whose overseers and colleagues step away from the Bible's teaching.

Planting churches. There are many villages, towns and even cities in Ireland where there is potential for new ministries. The Republic of Ireland is a country with the lowest percentage of evangelicals in the English-speaking world. Gafcon Ireland is committed to addressing this. We will work with other mission organisations to get people out proclaiming and begin planting new church gatherings. Central to this, Gafcon Ireland is committed to growing a network of at least 50 churches committed to the Jerusalem Declaration in Ireland by 2070. Every year in late November/early December over 60 leaders and ministry trainees attend a 48 hour Residential. This Council see this annual event as a key strategic building block. In 2023 the theme was Making Disciples.

Preparing people. Theological education for all Christian people is essential for the growth and stability of a church and groups of churches. This is so foundational that Gafcon Ireland started this work even before its launch, creating Theology Ireland and launching it in February 2018. Our plan is to grow this into a faithful training initiative that will prepare people for ministry where they find themselves, and also prepare people for full-time Christian service. In January 2023 The Revd. Dr. Mark Earney from Moore College Sydney was the lecturer at Theology Ireland on "Jesus Christ: The Church's One Foundation" in – Belfast, Dublin and Kilmore Diocese. So, Gafcon Ireland 'prepares' by providing theological education

Theology

How our activities deliver public benefit

Our activities deliver public benefit by:

- 1) Providing support for clergy and churches within the Church of Ireland (Ireland's second largest church by membership behind the Catholic church) to unite together under a common aim and remain faithful to the Bible's teaching as they pursue Christian ministry and mission in society generally. In January 2023 Theology Ireland held its annual lectures based in Belfast but with the benefit of livestream, available throughout Ireland and beyond. In December the Annual 2 Day Residential was attended by over 60 people for training and equipping. The theme was Making Disciples.
- 2) As for the extent or spread of public benefit through support of its clergy, with some 67% of Church of Ireland church members located in the Northern Ireland, compared to the Presbyterian church with 96% of its members in Northern Ireland and Ireland's largest church, the Catholic church, with under 25% of its members from Northern Ireland, the Church of Ireland can be said to be the most Northern Ireland/Republic of Ireland balanced church in Ireland. We believe a church unified across Ireland is in for the public benefit of society in Ireland as a whole.
- 3) Providing stability: by providing a safe harbour for certain clergy and congregations, we believe our aims will retain (and grow) the Church of Ireland clergy and congregations in Ireland and accordingly support very many of its causes and purposes at the same time.
- 4) Leading on from (3):
 - a. As the secular media often observes, Anglican churches that uphold orthodox biblical teaching are in general growing congregations at a faster rate than churches that do not. As such, our churches provide something that society is in demand for;
 - b. The Christian faith we profess is for the common good of every member of society, and the benefits we work for are not exclusive to our members or to orthodox Anglicans alone. As we uphold biblical teaching, we release people to be a society who have been truly transformed by the gospel of Jesus Christ, which we believe makes them care passionately for the good of those around them in society. As the secular media has often observed, compared to churches who do not seek to uphold such teaching, and also flowing from (a) above, there is often a commensurately greater resource available to support activities for children and youth, infants/toddlers and their mothers, those undergoing trauma, loneliness or a cycle of or poverty and providing a network of groups for informal Bible study and socializing.

Who used and benefited from our services?

There was enthusiastic involvement and expressions of support from parishes that included Waringstown, Knockbreda, Coleraine, Dublin, Belfast, Carrickfergus, Dundonald, Drung,

Derrylin, Swanlinbar as well as Anglican mission societies such as Crosslinks and Irish Church Missions.

The following events are listed in order to highlight those who benefited from Gafcon Ireland:

- Theology Ireland met in January 2023 with the Revd Dr. Mark Earney to support mostly church leaders and ministry trainees
- In April 2023 over 30 leaders from within the Church of Ireland attended a 5 day international conference (Gafcon IV) in Kigali, Rwanda to equip and encourage. The theme was “To Whom Shall We Go” (Gospel of John 6.68). Over 1300 attended from 52 countries.
- Gafcon Ireland was represented in person and online at the Gafcon Primates' Meetings
- A total of three Council Meetings in 2023 and a support base of over 200 that is slowly growing.

Financial Review

The charity, with the aid of sound financial management and the support of both Council members and other volunteers, generated a very positive programme outcome for the period with funds generated of £14,559 (income). This enabled the Council to commit to activities amounting to £18,383 for the period. This compares to income (£10,753) and expenditure (£13,645) in the previous year.

Principal Funding Sources

The principal funding sources for the charity are currently by way of (1) donations from individuals and churches and (2) income generated by fees for those attending our Theology Ireland seminars, conferences and residentials. We are grateful to those individuals and churches that have faithfully supported the activities of Gafcon Ireland.

Investment Policy

Aside from seeking to retain a prudent amount in reserves each year (something that the Council is actively planning) most of the charity's funds are to be spent in the short term so there are few funds for long term investment. When reserves become available for investment the Council will consider the most prudent investment vehicle that meets the ethical investment policy that the charity is committed to as a Christian charity.

Reserves Policy

The Council has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. It has established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity should be between 3 and 6 months of the expenditure.

Budgeted expenditure for 2025 was confirmed in the Council meeting of 2nd October 2024 to be £10,000 and so the target reserve is £2,500 to £5,000 in general funds. The reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and the Council are confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

The present level of reserves available to the charity exceeds the range of this projected target level.

Plans for Current/Future Periods

In May 2024 Theology Ireland ran in-person lectures across several weeks with the Revd. Dr. Ray Ortlund (USA)

A Residential is being planned for December 2024.

Into 2025 we are planning Theology Ireland lectures, God willing a Residential in late in 2025, and working towards the March 2026 Gafcon Conference.

Regular ongoing ministries will continue to offer and provide support to faithful Anglicans and members of the Church of Ireland in isolated and difficult contexts.

Structure, Governance and Management Governing Document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 20 September 2016 and registered as a charity on 24 July 2017. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.00.

Recruitment and Appointment of the Council of Members

The members of the Council are elected to serve for a period of three years after which they must be re-elected at its next General Meeting.

All members of the Council give their time voluntarily and received no benefits from the charity. Any expenses reclaimed from the charity are set out in a note to the accounts.

The Council seeks to ensure that the needs of this group are appropriately reflected through the diversity of the council body. It aims for a mix of clergy and laity (at least three of each) as well as representation from each of Munster, Leinster, Ulster and Connaught provinces. The process is that individuals are invited by the Council (taking into account its diversity aspirations above) to apply for membership, they commit to adhere in word and deed to the Jerusalem Declaration and are then approved by a majority of the Council.

The qualifications needed in a council member are demonstrated godliness and a proven understanding of, and enthusiasm for, the purposes of Gafcon Ireland set out above.

Recruitment and Appointment of the Executive

Either two or three directors of the Executive may be appointed by the Council, each for a period of two years. Such directors are also required to be members of the Council.

The directors are named as the Trustees for Charity Commission purposes.

Their role is to manage the day to day business of the charity, subject to any delegation to the Operations Manager.

Trustee Induction and Training

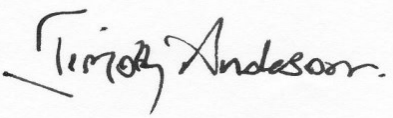
The directors of the Executive are the Trustees of the charity. They are already familiar with the practical work of the charity having been involved in such work over many years as both clergy and lay members of the Anglican church. It is what brings them to Gafcon and what enables the Council to select them for the Trustee role.

Current directors are also Trustees of other charities and so are kept apprised of any changes in Trustee responsibilities under general law, and reminded of the Trustee role, through those various contexts.

At meetings of the Executive and at Council meetings (also led by the Directors) matters that are covered (among other things) are:

- ☐ the obligations of Council members
- ☐ making judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- ☐ consideration of the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is not appropriate to assume that the company will continue on that basis

Approved by the Council on 2 October 2024 and signed on its behalf by Revd Timothy Anderson, Director.



Timothy Anderson.

Gafcon Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 106747

Annual return

Independent Examiners Report

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Gafcon Ireland based on their report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity 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 Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 (section 65)
- 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 Charity 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 CCNI ARR07 – supporting document 7 August 2016 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 further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Independent Examiners 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Campbell', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Name:	Andrew Campbell
Address:	98 Sydenham Avenue, Belfast BT4 2DT
Date:	28/10/24

Accounts

Private Limited Company by guarantee

(without share capital use of 'Limited' exemption)

Report and Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 December 2022

Charity no. 106747

Company no. 640941

Responsibilities of the Council

Company law requires the Council to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements, the Council should follow best practice and:

- ❑ select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- ❑ make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- ❑ prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is not appropriate to assume that the company will continue on that basis.

The Council is responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. The Council is 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.

Members of the Council

Members of the Council, who are directors for the purpose of company law and trustees for the purpose of charity law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 6.

In accordance with company law, as the company's directors, we certify that:

- ❑ so far as we are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware; and

- - 2 as the directors of the company we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's Independent Examiner is aware of that information.

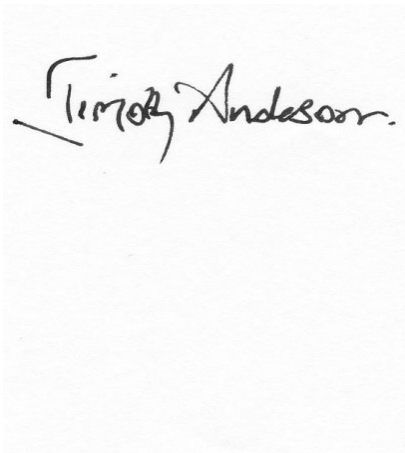
Independent Examiner

Andrew Campbell was appointed as the charitable company's Independent Examiner during the year.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (Charities SORP (FRS 102) issued in February 2016) and in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of The Companies Act 1985 (Small Companies' Accounts and Audit - Regulations 2006) relating to small entities.

Approved by the Council on 13th September 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Revd Tim Anderson (Director)



Statement of Financial Activities (including Income & Expenditure Account) for the year ended 31 December 2022

		Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
	Notes				
Incoming Resources					
Incoming Resources from generated funds:					
Voluntary Income:					
Donations and Grants	2	3,450	4,020	7,470	3,800
Incoming resources from charitable activities:					
Conferences & Seminars	3	3,283	0	3,283	2,138
Total incoming resources		6,733	4,020	10,753	5,938
Resources expended					
Costs of generating funds					
Costs of generating voluntary income		0	0	0	0
Charitable activities	4	12,865	0	12,865	3,678
Governance Costs	4	780	0	780	834
Total Resources Expended		13,645	0	13,645	4,512
Net income for the year. (Net incoming resources before other recognised gains)					
		(6,912)	4,020	(2,892)	1,426
Other recognised gains		0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		(6,912)	4,020	(2,892)	1,426
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		9,725	0	9,725	8,299
Total funds carried forward		2,813	4,020	6,833	9,725

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022

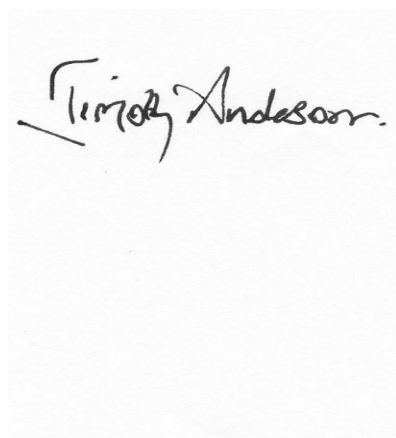
	Notes	2022	2021
Fixed Assets			
Tangible Assets	9	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
		0	0
Current Assets			
Debtors		0	0
Prepayments		360	280
Cash in bank and in hand		<u>7,072</u>	<u>10,909</u>
		7,432	11,190
Current Liabilities			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	10	<u>(600)</u>	<u>(1,465)</u>
Net Current Assets		6,832	9,725
Net Assets		6,832	9,725
Unrestricted Funds	12		
General Funds		<u>2,813</u>	<u>9,725</u>
		2,813	9,725
Restricted Funds		4,020	<u>0</u>
Total Funds		6,832	9,725

These accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small entities.

Approved by the Directors on 13 September 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Revd. Tim Anderson

Revd. Trevor Johnston




Notes forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

Note 1 - Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and in the preceding year.

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of fixed asset investments at market value, and in accordance with the Companies Act 1985 and the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities) issued in February 2016

Fund accounting

- ☐ Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.
- ☐ Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the Management Committee for particular purposes.
- ☐ Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to, and virtually certain to receive, the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following 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.
- ☐ Incoming resources from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

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 if applicable.
- ❑ 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.
- ❑ Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the costs of the independent examination and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.
- ❑ All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SoFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis e.g. floor areas, per capita or estimated usage as set out in Note 4.

Fixed assets

If Fixed assets (excluding investments) are listed they are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. The costs of minor additions or those costing below £1,000 are not capitalised. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset over its expected useful life (estimated by the nature of the asset) . Impairment reviews are carried out as and when evidence comes to light that the recoverable amount of a functional fixed asset is below its net book value due to damage, obsolescence or other relevant factors.

If Investments are held as fixed assets are revalued at mid-market value at the balance sheet date and the gain or loss taken to the Statement of Financial Activities.

Note 2 - Donations

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2022 Total	2021 Total
	£	£	£	£
Donations	3,450	0	3,800	3,800
Kigali Bursary	0	3,020	3,020	0
Training	0	1,000	1,000	0
	3,450	4,020	7,470	3,800

Note 3 - Incoming Resources from Activities to further the Charities Objects

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2022 Total	2021 Total
	£	£	£	£
Conferences & Seminars	3,283	0	3,283	2,138
	3,283	0	3,283	2,138

Note 4 - Total Resources Expended

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2022 Total	2021 Total
	£	£	£	£
Costs Directly Allocated to Activities				
Bursaries – International	0	0	0	0
Theology Ireland Events	3,173.21	0	3,173.21	350
Gafcon Ireland Events	9,603.18	0	9,603.18	3,328
	12,776.39	0	12,776.39	3,678
Governance Costs				
Accounting & Legal	350	0	350	400
General Costs	430	0	430	834
	780	0	780	3,083



Note 5 - Staff Costs

There were no staff costs paid during the year

Note 6 - Trustee Remuneration & Related Party Transactions

No directors received any remuneration during the year. The total out of pocket expenses reimbursed to the directors was £1,416.12 (2021: £NIL).

Note 7 - Taxation

As a charity, Gafcon Ireland is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the Charity.

Note 8 – Tangible Fixed Assets

There are no tangible fixed assets to date.

Note 9 – Investments

There are no investments to date.

Note 10 - Creditors: Amounts Falling Due within One Year

At 31st December 2022 there was £600 due for accounting and the independent examination

Note 11 - Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2022 Total
	£	£	£
Current assets	3,412	4,020	7,432
Current liabilities	(600)	0	(600)
Net assets at 31 December 2022	<u>2,812</u>	<u>4,020</u>	<u>6,832</u>

Note 12 - Movement in Funds

	At 1 Jan 2022	Incom Res.	Outg Res	Transfer s	At 31 Dec 22
	£	£	£		
Restricted Funds	0	4,020	0	0	4,020
Unrestricted Funds	9,725	6,733	13,645	0	2,813

Purposes of Restricted Funds

Restricted funds for Kigali Bursary and training.

Gafcon Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 106747

Annual report

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**GAFCON IRELAND – REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 December 2022**



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Independent Examiners Report

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Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

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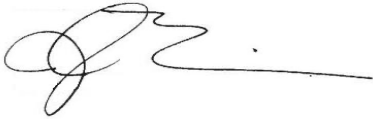
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Name:	Andrew Campbell
Address:	98 Sydenham Avenue, Belfast BT4 2DT
Date:	29/09/23

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The Council presents its directors' report and unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name:	Gafcon Ireland
Charity registration number (NI):	106747
Company registration number (NI):	640941
Registered Office and operational address:	<i>26 Ballyregan Road, Dundonald, Belfast, Northern Ireland, BT16 1HY</i>

Gafcon Ireland in 2022 was led by a Council of seven men and two women, two Executive Directors (also Council Members), and an Operations Manager.

Council of Members

1. Revd. Timothy Anderson
2. Revd. Trevor Johnston
3. Revd. Canon Bill Press
4. Rt. Revd. David McClay
5. Miss Ruth Bridcut
6. Revd. Canon Bryan Martin
7. Rt. Revd. Ken Clarke
8. Miss Erin Topley
9. Revd. Canon Henry Blair

Directors/Management Team

Revd. Timothy Anderson	Director
Revd. Trevor Johnston	Director
Dr Brian Haugh	Operations Manager

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Financial Advisor – Jack Simpson ACA, 24 Larkfield Gardens, Belfast, BT4 1QR

Bankers – Barclays Bank, 17 Castle Place, Belfast, BT1 1EL

Our Aims and objectives

Purposes and Aims

Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum of association are to:

GUARD THE UNCHANGING, TRANSFORMING GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST AND TO PROCLAIM HIM TO IRELAND, AND THE NATIONS

A global movement

Gafcon began in 2008 when moral compromise, doctrinal error and the collapse of biblical witness in parts of the Anglican communion had reached such a level that the leaders of the majority of the world's Anglicans felt it was necessary to take a united stand for truth. A crowd of more than one thousand witnesses, including Primates, Archbishops, Bishops, clergy and lay leaders gathered in Jerusalem for the Global Anglican Future Conference (Gafcon). The outcome of that first conference was the Jerusalem Statement and Declaration - a commitment to authentic Anglican doctrine founded on the clear and present word of God - The Bible. In 2013 in Nairobi, 2018 in Jerusalem and recently in April 2023 in Kigali there were also Global Conferences with significantly increased and growing numbers attending. Gafcon aims to help and support Anglican churches around the world remain faithful to the Bible's teaching as they pursue Christian ministry and mission in this context.

As well as the twelve Gafcon Provinces throughout the world, there are seven regional branches: Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, the UK, Ireland, Tanzania and Ghana. Further branches are planned for Pakistan and Sudan.

Gafcon Ireland launched on 21 April 2018 and is the local expression of the global Gafcon movement. We are a fellowship of Anglican (Church of Ireland) Christians in Ireland who are passionate about the message of Jesus Christ and Him crucified, and join with like-minded people around the world in the Gafcon movement. Gafcon Ireland sees the desperate need on the island of Ireland for the authentic gospel of Jesus Christ and Him crucified—the only way God is reconciled to humanity. Like Thomas Cranmer, the great Anglican reformer, we are proud to be labelled people of this gospel.

Gafcon Ireland shares the passion of the global movement to be a whole-church movement - the leadership and membership joined together in Christ's mission. Gafcon Ireland is devoted to staying true to the Bible's teaching and acts for the glory of Jesus the King! Gafcon Ireland is led by a Council of up to twelve men and women, two Executive Directors (also Council Members), and an Operations Manager. It is a Registered Company limited by guarantee and has charitable status

Four ways our work delivers our aims

Gafcon Ireland seeks to ensure our work delivers our aims in the following four ways:

- ❑ Proclaim the message of Jesus Christ crucified and risen
- ❑ Partner with others who love the Lord
- ❑ Plant new congregations
- ❑ Prepare Christians for ministry

Proclaiming the only name that saves rebels from God's anger into eternal life reconciled to Him. This message is essential for all people to hear. So we devote ourselves to proclaiming it everywhere - training all Christian people to know and love the Lord and promoting this gospel. So, Gafcon Ireland proclaims the gospel. But to do so it must be clear what it proclaims, and so it met for a conference at St Anne's Cathedral Belfast in March 2022 under the theme of 'What is the Gospel?'

Partnering with those who share the Anglican passion for spreading the gospel on this island and around the world. We are particularly interested in supporting those Anglican Christians whose overseers and colleagues step away from the Bible's teaching.

Planting churches. There are many villages, towns and even cities in Ireland where there is potential for new ministries. The Republic of Ireland is a country with the lowest percentage of evangelicals in the English-speaking world. Gafcon Ireland is committed to addressing this. We will work with other mission organisations to get people out proclaiming and begin planting new church gatherings. Central to this, Gafcon Ireland is committed to growing a network of at least 50 churches committed to the Kigali Commitment in Ireland by 2070.

Preparing people. Theological education for all Christian people is essential for the growth and stability of a church and groups of churches. This is so foundational that Gafcon Ireland started this work even before its launch, creating Theology Ireland and launching it in February 2018. Our plan is to grow this into a faithful training initiative that will prepare people for ministry where they find themselves, and also prepare people for full-time Christian service. In late spring 2022 we ran Theology Ireland annual lectures in Belfast and on livestream all over Ireland. So, Gafcon Ireland 'prepares' by providing theological education

Theology

How our activities deliver public benefit

Our activities deliver public benefit by:

- 1) Providing support for clergy and churches within the Church of Ireland (Ireland's second largest church by membership behind the Catholic church) to unite together under a common aim and remain faithful to the Bible's teaching as they pursue Christian ministry and mission in society generally. In March 2022 Gafcon Ireland hosted a major Day Conference at St. Anne's Cathedral in Belfast with international speakers from Global Gafcon. In May 2022 Theology Ireland reinstated its annual lectures based in Belfast but with the benefit of livestream, available throughout Ireland and beyond.
- 2) As for the extent or spread of public benefit through support of its clergy, with some 67% of Church of Ireland church members located in Northern Ireland, compared to the Presbyterian church with 96% of its members in Northern Ireland and Ireland's largest church, the Catholic church, with under 25% of its members from Northern Ireland, the Church of Ireland can be said to be the most Northern Ireland/Republic of Ireland balanced church in Ireland. We believe a church unified across Ireland is in for the public benefit of society in Ireland as a whole.
- 3) Providing stability: by providing a safe harbour for certain clergy and congregations, we believe our aims will retain (and grow) the Church of Ireland clergy and congregations in Ireland and accordingly support very many of its causes and purposes at the same time.
- 4) Leading on from (3):
 - a. As the secular media often observes, Anglican churches that uphold orthodox biblical teaching are in general growing congregations at a faster rate than churches that do not. As such, our churches provide something that society is in demand for;
 - b. The Christian faith we profess is for the common good of every member of society, and the benefits we work for are not exclusive to our members or to orthodox Anglicans alone. As we uphold biblical teaching, we release people to be a society who have been truly transformed by the gospel of Jesus Christ, which we believe makes them care passionately for the good of those around them in society. As the secular media has often observed, compared to churches who do not seek to uphold such teaching, and also flowing from (a) above, there is often a commensurately greater resource available to support activities for children and youth, infants/toddlers and their mothers, those undergoing trauma, loneliness or a cycle of or poverty and providing a network of groups for informal Bible study and socializing.

Who used and benefited from our services?

There was enthusiastic involvement and expressions of support from parishes that included Waringstown, Knockbreda, Coleraine, Dublin, Belfast, Carrickfergus , Dundonald, Drung, Swanlinbar as well as Anglican mission societies such as Crosslinks and Irish Church Missions.

The following events are listed in order to highlight those who benefited from Gafcon Ireland:

- 25 March 2022 Bible Conference 'What is the Gospel' attended by 150 delegates, with speakers well known in the global Gafcon movement namely Archbishops Ben Kwashi and Foley Beach, along with the Revd. Dr. Nick Tucker
- Theology Ireland Spring Conference with the Revd Dr. Ro Mody was held to support mostly church leaders and ministry trainees
- Gafcon Ireland represented at the online Gafcon Primates' Meeting
- Four Council Meetings in 2022 and a support base of over 200 that is slowly growing.
- Throughout 2022 Gafcon Ireland was represented on the following Gafcon Networks: Church Planting, Theological Education and Women's Ministry.



Financial Review

The charity, with the aid of sound financial management and the support of both Council members and other volunteers, generated a very positive programme outcome for the period with funds generated of £10,753 (income). This enabled the Council to commit to activities amounting to £13,645 for the period. This compares to income (£5,938) and expenditure (£4,512) in the previous year (fourth year of operations).

Principal Funding Sources

The principal funding sources for the charity are currently by way of donations from individuals and churches as well as income generated by fees for those attending our Theology Ireland seminars, conferences and residentials. We are grateful to those individuals and churches that have faithfully supported the activities of Gafcon Ireland.

Investment Policy

Aside from seeking to retain a prudent amount in reserves each year (something that the Council is actively planning) most of the charity's funds are to be spent in the short term so there are few funds for long term investment. When reserves become available for investment the Council will consider the most prudent investment vehicle that meets the ethical investment policy that the charity is committed to as a Christian charity.

Reserves Policy

The Council has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. It has established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity should be between 3 and 6 months of the expenditure. Expected expenditure for 2023 is broadly the same as that of 2022 based on the running of the same key events, namely £11,000, and therefore the target is £2,750 to £5,500 in general funds. The reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and the Council are confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

The present level of reserves available to the charity of £6,833 exceeds the range of this target level.

Plans for Future Periods

In April 2023 a number of the Council of Gafcon Ireland attended the Fourth Global Anglican Future Conference at the Kigali Convention Centre, Rwanda, and contributed to the conference by providing updates on the progress of the movement in Ireland.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 20 September 2016 and registered as a charity on 24 July 2017. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.00.

Recruitment and Appointment of the Council of Members

The members of the Council are elected to serve for a period of three years after which they must be re-elected at its next General Meeting.

All members of the Council give their time voluntarily and received no benefits from the charity. Any expenses reclaimed from the charity are set out in a note to the accounts.

The Council seeks to ensure that the needs of this group are appropriately reflected through the diversity of the council body. It aims for a mix of clergy and laity (at least three of each) as well as representation from each of Munster, Leinster, Ulster and Connaught provinces. The process is that individuals are invited by the Council (taking into account its diversity aspirations above) to apply for membership, they commit to adhere in word and deed to the Jerusalem Declaration of 2018 and are then approved by a majority of the Council.

The qualifications needed in a council member are demonstrated godliness and a proven understanding of, and enthusiasm for, the purposes of Gafcon Ireland set out above.

Recruitment and Appointment of the Executive

Either two or three directors of the Executive may be appointed by the Council, each for a period of two years. Such directors are also required to be members of the Council.

The directors are named as the Trustees for Charity Commission purposes.

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Their role is to manage the day to day business of the charity, subject to any delegation to the Operations Manager.

Trustee Induction and Training

The directors of the Executive are the Trustees of the charity. They are already familiar with the practical work of the charity having been involved in such work over many years as both clergy and lay members of the Anglican church. It is what brings them to Gafcon and what enables the Council to select them for the Trustee role.

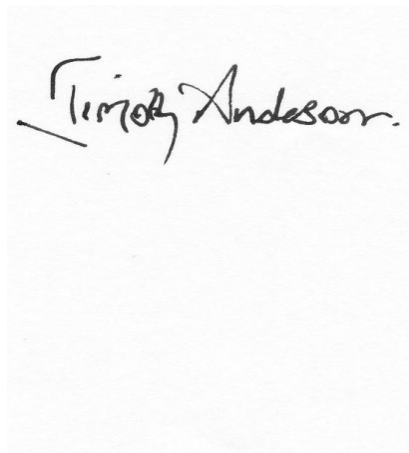
Both current directors are also Trustees of other charities and so are kept apprised of any changes in Trustee responsibilities under general law, and reminded of the Trustee role, through those various contexts.

At meetings of the Executive and at Council meetings (also led by the Directors) matters that are covered (among other things) are:

- ❑ the obligations of Council members
- ❑ making judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- ❑ consideration of the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is not appropriate to assume that the company will continue on that basis

Approved by the Council and signed on its behalf by:

Revd Tim Anderson (Director)

A photograph of a handwritten signature in black ink on a white piece of paper. The signature is written in a cursive style and reads "Tim Anderson".

Gafcon Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 106747

Annual return

Independent Examiners Report

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Gafcon Ireland I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on page 6 to 24.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity 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 Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 (section 65)
- 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 Charity 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 CCNI ARR07 – supporting document 7 August 2016 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 further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Independent Examiners 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Andrew Campbell', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Name:	Andrew Campbell
Address:	98 Sydenham Avenue, Belfast BT4 2DT
Date:	29/09/23