

The Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in Ireland, Frederick Street Preparative Meeting

Northern Ireland · Charity number 107081

Details

Known as	Frederick Street Meeting Frederick Street Preparative Meeting
Status	Received
Registered	2018-05-18
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

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Activities

Purposes: The object of the Preparative Meeting is the advancement of the general religious purposes of the Religious Society of Friends by the following means, in so far as they are exclusively charitable: i. Strengthening the Christian understanding and religious development of the Quaker meeting both in the geographical area of the Preparative Meeting and beyond; ii. Contributing financially and practically to the relief of suffering at home and abroad; iii. Providing for the pastoral care of individual Members and Attenders including assistance to those in need;

What the charity does: The advancement of religion, The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage

How the charity works: Religious activities

Who the charity helps: Children (5-13 year olds), Men, Older people, Preschool (0-5 year olds), Women, Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£64,017	£84,261	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Elizabeth Dickson		
Mark White		
Mr Edmund Livingston		

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Accounts

Frederick St Preparative Meeting

Statement of Receipts & Payments for year ended 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
Receipts				
Donations received:				
Subscriptions	£6,940.00		£6,940.00	£6,330.00
Meeting House Funds	£2,932.50		£2,932.50	£2,124.98
Legacies	£0.00		£0.00	£0.00
Charity collections		£1,977.10	£1,977.10	£1,990.00
Craft Fair proceeds		£2,785.00	£2,785.00	£1,420.00
Fundraising donations		£15,286.93	£15,286.93	£24,710.03
Tfr from reserves		£12,000.00	£12,000.00	£58,035.22
Gift Aid	£1,887.25	£2,015.00	£3,902.25	£7,758.00
Grants:				£38,500.00
Southall Trust		£5,000.00	£5,000.00	
Jessie Cairns Bequest		£4,000.00	£4,000.00	
Rentals	£1,601.00		£1,601.00	£227.00
Investment income:				
Assistance Fund		£2,880.00	£2,880.00	£2,736.00
Meeting House Funds	£4,625.40		£4,625.40	£4,460.92
Bank interest	£87.03		£87.03	£76.46
Other income			£0.00	£82.50
Total receipts	£18,073.18	£45,944.03	£64,017.21	£148,451.11
Net surplus/deficit	£4,916.42	-£25,160.64	-£20,244.22	£8,133.51

Reconciliation at 31 December 2024

In bank at 1 Jan 2024			£53,980.16
Surplus/(deficit)	£4,916.42	-£25,160.64	-£20,244.22
In bank at 31 Dec 2024			£33,735.94

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
Payments				
Donations to Quaker Service		£368.75	£368.75	£1,632.50
Donations to other charities		£2,115.12	£2,115.12	£2,275.00
Donation to Jesuit Centre	£500.00		£500.00	£0.00
Tfr Assist Funds to S Belfast PM		£1,440.00	£1,440.00	£1,368.00
Grants from Fred St Assist Fund		£800.00	£800.00	£350.00
National Charge	£4,637.12		£4,637.12	£4,013.80
Running costs:				
Rates	£382.77		£382.77	£386.16
Electricity	£204.00		£204.00	-£320.00
Heating gas	£2,326.00		£2,326.00	£4,427.00
Water	£326.89		£326.89	£598.27
Broadband	£204.11		£204.11	£375.88
Cleaning	£0.00		£0.00	£0.00
Maintenance	£1,815.60		£1,815.60	£1,637.17
Other expenses	£748.20		£748.20	£592.33
Insurance	£1,649.53		£1,649.53	£1,650.00
Books & Periodicals	£194.49		£194.49	£98.00
Refurbishment Project		£66,380.80	£66,380.80	£121,146.37
Bank fees	£68.05		£68.05	£77.12
Payment to Development account	£100.00		£100.00	£0.00
Burial Ground	£0.00		£0.00	£10.00
Total payments	£13,156.76	£71,104.67	£84,261.43	£140,317.60

Bank balances at 1 January 2024:

Main account	£37,175.85
Assistance Fund Account	£16,804.31
Total cash	£53,980.16

Bank balances at 31 December 2024:

Main account	£16,291.63
Assistance Fund Account	£17,444.31
Total cash	£33,735.94

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Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31st December 2024

	Value at 31 Dec 2024	Value at 31 Dec 2023	Where invested
Investments			
Assistance Fund	£47,116.80	£45,919.68	M&G Charifund (Inc)
Meeting House Funds	£41,983.63	£52,442.41	M&G Charifund (Inc)
	£47,307.35	£45,748.46	NI Central Investment Fund for Charities
Total value	£136,407.78	£144,110.55	
 Bank balances			
Main account	£16,291.63	£37,175.85	Danske Bank
Assistance Fund	£17,444.31	£16,804.31	Danske Bank
Total in bank	£33,735.94	£53,980.16	

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Opening Balance	£30,060.35	£17,023.18
Charity Collections	£1,990.00	£2,265.00
Subscriptions	£6,330.00	£7,000.00
Collections for PM Funds	£2,124.98	£680.00
n M&G Charifund Interest (Assist.Fund)	£2,736.00	£2,656.00
n M&G Charifund Interest (PM)	£3,124.64	£3,033.30
* Central Investment Fund	£1,336.28	£1,366.65
Use of Meeting House	£175.00	£140.00
Grants	£38,500.00	£7,268.01
Donations	£24,710.03	
M&G Investment	£58,035.22	
Craft Fair (in aid of Quaker Service)	£1,420.00	£2,907.00
Rent from Concern	£52.00	£52.00
Balmoral Burial Ground Ins.	£82.50	£77.51
HMRC Gift Aid Tax Rebate	£7,758.00	£2,191.32
Bank Interest	£76.46	£51.82
Total Income	£178,511.46	£46,711.79

Income	2023	<u>Charity Collections</u> 2022
Quaker Service	£170.00	£435.00
Tools for Solidarity	£205.00	£230.00
Men's Advisory Project	£190.00	
DEPAUL		£410.00
Brummana High School	£400.00	£400.00
IQFA	£215.00	£160.00
Women,s Aid	£250.00	£160.00
Red Cross	£560.00	£470.00
Charities Total Income	£1,990.00	£2,265.00
Craft Fair in aid of Q.Service	£1,420.00	£2,907.00
Total collected: -	£3,410.00	£5,172.00

Expenditure	2023	2022
Rates	£386.17	£234.32
Electricity	-£320.00	£442.00
Heating Gas	£4,427.00	£639.00
Insurance	£1,650.00	£1,550.21
Water	£598.27	£548.93
Assistance Fund (See note ***)	£2,736.00	£2,656.00
National Charge	£4,013.80	£2,001.20
Contractors	£121,146.37	
Charity Collections	£3,907.50	£5,657.00
Maintenance	£1,637.17	£1,220.98
Meeting House Expenses	£592.33	£754.06
Cleaning		£432.00
Phone/internet	£375.88	£340.40
Burial Ground	£10.00	£10.00
Periodicals & books	£98.00	£98.00
Bank Fees	£77.12	£67.34
Closing balance	£37,175.85	£30,060.35
Total Expenditure	£178,511.46	£46,711.79

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 1368.00 to Frederick St.
 1368.00 to South Belfast



Expenditure	2023	2022
Quaker Service	£1,632.50	£3,369.50
Tools for Solidarity	£256.25	£287.50
Men's Advisory Project	£237.50	
DEPAUL		£512.50
Brummana High School	£500.00	£500.00
IQFA	£268.75	£200.00
Women's Aid	£312.50	£200.00
Red Cross	£700.00	£587.50
Total Appeals and Collections Expenditure:	£3,907.50	£5,657.00

Mark White Hon Treasurer

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Frederick Street Preparative Meeting

Trustees (at 31st December
2023)

Edmund Livingston

Elizabeth Dickson

Mark White

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Charity number

NIC 107081

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Trustees' Report for year ended 31st December 2023

Introduction This report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 and in line with the guidance produced by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland.

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The Trustees, of whom there should be not less than two, are appointed at the Annual General Meeting. They are appointed for a period of up to three years and are eligible for re-appointment for a further two terms. Trustees who served during the year ending 31st December 2023 were as follows:

Edmund Livingston
(Clerk of Trustees)

Elizabeth Dickson

Mark White

The Trustees are responsible for the policies, activities and assets of the charity. No Trustee received any remuneration for services as a member of the Board of Trustees and the charity has no employees.

The Trustees have put in place a data protection policy and a child protection policy, both of which are reviewed annually.

The Purpose of the charity Frederick Street Preparative Meeting is established by Lisburn Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends in Ireland. It is primarily a Meeting for Worship that practices in accordance with the principles of the Religious Society of Friends, also known as Quakers.

We are based in a Meeting House at Frederick Street in Belfast. As well as the main meeting room where we meet for worship on a Sunday, we also have a kitchen, committee room and two smaller rooms. We have a small caretaker's apartment attached to the building. We also own an older property on the site which is leased at a peppercorn rent to the charity Concern.

The purpose of our charity, as set out in our governing document, is the advancement of the general religious purposes of the Religious Society of Friends by the following means, in so far as they are exclusively charitable:

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Our activities during 2023

Frederick Street has continued to hold Meetings For Worship throughout the year with an average attendance on a Sunday morning of 20. We decided to resume our Midweek Meetings which is held on the 1st Wednesday of each month. This Meeting lasting 30 mins, followed by refreshments, has proved popular with visitors. We have continued our series of short talks led by different Members of the Meeting on spiritual topics and this has stimulated a healthy discussion afterwards. We as a Preparative Meeting have given attention to the duties referred to in the book of Organisation and Christian Discipline chapter 5, Paragraph 4. General Christian

Council and Queries for Serious Consideration have been read. We have fulfilled the requirements of the Child Safeguarding Policy. Our AGM took place on Sunday 20th August and the annual return to the Charity Commission was completed. The development working group has met regularly throughout the year making plans for the refurbishment of our premises. As talks with Quaker Service continued, this group was urged by the Preparative Meeting to make a start. The following action plan was agreed. Phase 1. Upgrade the Meeting Room and the toilets. Phase 2. Upgrade the foyer, kitchen and dining room. Phase 3. Upgrade the upstairs rooms and the caretakers flat in conjunction with Quaker Service. An interior designer, (Catherine McMillan) had come highly recommended and she proved to have great vision advising us on the project. The work started in September and was completed by mid November. We were very grateful to our neighbours at the Belfast Jesuit Centre who welcomed us to their prayer room where we held Meeting for Worship while Frederick Street was out of action. The funding for this 1st phase has come from, several generous anonymous donations from our own Members, grants from, Bangor Meeting fund, Ulster Quarterly Meeting property fund, Jessie Cairns Bequest, JEMY, The Chapman Trust, and the Southall Trust. The balance came from the Meeting reserves. We have had several meetings with the Art department of our neighbours at the Ulster University about a student competition to redesign our entrance gates. The energy and enthusiasm shown by these students is very encouraging and we look forward to seeing the final designs.

The Christmas craft fair, organised with South Belfast was again a very successful morning. The sale of baked goods and crafts produced by local Friends raised over £2800 to be shared between Quaker Service and the refurbishment fund. We celebrated the reopening of our Meeting House with an open coffee morning in December followed by a larger than normal attendance at the Midweek Meeting. Invitations were sent to other Meetings and to representatives from the many neighbours and organisations who helped us with the project so far. We were delighted with the response and very positive feedback from our guests. The event strengthened relationships while encouraging outreach and should perhaps be repeated in the future. The conclusion of the many discussions with Quaker Service is that they are fully committed to a move to join us at Frederick Street as stated in their new strategic plan. This joint venture creating a "Frederick Street Quaker Hub" is an exciting prospect and we ask for God's blessing and guidance to secure a healthy future for both parties working together.

Public Benefit

The trustees of Frederick Street Preparative Meeting are pleased to confirm that they have complied with their duty to have regard to the public benefit requirement statutory guidance of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland.

Our public benefit has been demonstrated in a number of ways over the past year:

- We hold regular Meeting for Worship every Sunday morning and these Meetings are open to members of the public as well as our own members and regular attenders – these Meetings provide spiritual nourishment and deepen the Christian experience and understanding of those who attend;
- Using legacy funds that have been left to the Meeting in the past, we provide some financial support to those in need within our Meeting;
- We provide financial support to Quaker Service and a range of other charities from regular collections at our Meetings. We also support the charity Concern by making our premises available to them for a small rent.
- We have engaged with the local community through membership of the North Belfast Heritage Cluster which we hope will make the Meeting House more visible and allow us to make a contribution to the regeneration of the area;

Financial Review

Our financial statement for the period 1st January 2023 to 31st December 2023 is attached to this report.

Subscriptions and collections for Meeting House funds totalled £8455 which was £775 more than 2022. Charity collections continue to provide much appreciated support to our chosen charities. Income from our investments in M&G Charifund and Central Investment Fund totalled £7,197. The Christmas Craft Fair raised £2840 which was split equally between Quaker Service and our refurbishment fund. Our development was funded by three main sources.

1. Donations from members and former members of FS which came to £24,710
2. Grants received from Ulster QM Property, JEMY, Jessie Cairns Bequest, The Chapman Trust and Southall Trust which came to £38,500.
3. Cashing in the anonymous donation of £58,035 half of which was used in phase 1 of the development.

On the expenditure side we were overcharged for electricity in 2022 so our account was in credit for 2023. Gas usage and costs increased during this year. Our National Charge discount has stopped so the full cost was £4,013.80.

The major item was the cost of the first phase of our redevelopment which came to £121,146.

The closing balance in our main current account at 31-12-2023 was £37,175.85.

Declaration

This report was approved at the Annual General Meeting on 20th August 2023 and is signed on behalf of trustees.

Edmund Livingston

Clerk of Trustees
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Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Frederick Street Preparative Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in Ireland

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my/our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Name: Owen Fulton

Address: 31 Elmfield Crescent Newtownabbey

Date: 8/10/24



Signature:

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Accounts

Income	2022	2021	Expenditure	2022	2021
Opening Balance	£17,023.18	£14,646.66	Rates	£234.32	£457.65
Charity Collections	£2,265.00	£1,840.00	Electricity	£442.00	£476.00
Subscriptions	£7,000.00	£4,560.00	Heating Fuel	£639.00	£285.00
Collections for PM Funds	£680.00	£890.00	Insurance	£1,550.21	£1,460.00
n M&G Charifund Interest (Assist.Fund)	£2,656.00	£2,368.00	Water	£548.93	£535.18
n M&G Charifund Interest (PM)	£3,033.30	£2,704.39	Assistance Fund (See note ***)	£2,656.00	£2,368.00
* Central Investment Fund	£1,366.65	£1,366.65	National Charge	£2,001.20	£1,031.00
Use of Meeting House	£140.00		Gift to Caretaker		£1,500.00
Donations/Grants	£7,268.01	£1,000.00	Charity Collections	£5,657.00	£4,778.15
Bank Interest	£51.82	£16.53	Maintenance	£1,220.98	£2,651.60
HMRC Gift Aid Tax Rebate	£2,191.32	£1,734.39	Meeting House Expenses	£754.06	£651.68
Craft Fair (in aid of Quaker Service)	£2,907.00	£2,476.90	Cleaning	£432.00	£100.00
Rent from Concern	£52.00	£104.00	Phone/internet	£340.40	£75.31
Transfer from business account		£0.20	Bank Fees	£67.34	£42.97
Balmoral Burial Ground Ins.	£77.51		Periodicals & books	£98.00	£272.00
			Burial Ground	£10.00	
			Closing balance	£30,060.35	£17,023.18
Total Income	£46,711.79	£33,707.72	Total Expenditure	£46,711.79	£33,707.72

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 £1328.00 to Frederick Street
 £1328.00 to South Belfast

Charity Collections					
Income	2022	2021	Expenditure	2022	2021
Quaker Service	£435.00	£860.00	Quaker Service	£3,369.50	£3,551.90
Tools for Solidarity	£230.00	£200.00	Tools for Solidarity	£287.50	£250.00
Starling		£330.00	Starling		£412.50
DEPAUL	£410.00	£175.00	DEPAUL	£512.50	£220.00
Brummana High School	£400.00	£275.00	Brummana High School	£500.00	£343.75
IQFA	£160.00		IQFA	£200.00	
Women,s Aid	£160.00		Women's Aid	£200.00	

Red Cross	£470.00		Red Cross	£587.50	
Charities Total Income	£2,265.00	£1,840.00			
Craft Fair in aid of Q.Service	£2,907.00	£2,476.90			
Total collected: -	£5,172.00	£4,316.90	Total Appeals and Collections Expenditure:	£5,657.00	£4,778.15

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Our activities during 2022

Our Meetings for Worship throughout the year returned to more of a normal pattern after closure due to Covid 19. The usual attendance on a Sunday morning was 20. After a cautious beginning we now have our refreshments after Meeting as well as a chance to catch up on normal life again.

The Development Working Group continued their exploration of the options of working with Quaker Service in redeveloping our property. A joint application for a grant from Belfast City Council "Neighborhood Regeneration Fund" was applied for but eventually turned down in December. The Working Group plans to take a fresh look at this project in the new year.

The Meeting House was open again for European Heritage Open day on 10th September and we get regular updates on the activities of the North Belfast Heritage Cluster.

As a group we were very disturbed by the shocking news of the war in Ukraine following the invasion by Russia.

We followed the advice from Quaker House Dublin on how to join with Ukrainian Friends for Meeting For Worship in Kyiv and on the most appropriate charities to support with financial help. We as a Meeting have given attention to the duties referred to in the book of Organisation and Christian Discipline chapter 5, paragraph 4. General Christian Council and Queries for serious consideration have been read. We have fulfilled the requirements of the Child Safeguarding Policy.

Our AGM took place on Sunday 30th October and the annual return to the Charity Commission was completed.

A work party to tidy up the garden took place in May and September.

We are very aware now that we are a small community overlooked by all the new high rise buildings of the University of Ulster so we were grateful for getting a personal tour of these buildings.

The highlight of the year has to be the renewal of the Wedding vows of Jonny and Irene Poole in the Meeting House in November. It was uplifting to see our Meeting room transformed with flowers, drapes and candles. It was a pleasure to welcome so many guests, some of whom had traveled from Malaysia to witness a Quaker Wedding and to share in such a happy occasion.

The Christmas fair, organised in conjunction with South Belfast continues to be a very successful event with the usual mix of home baked goods and crafts produced by local Friends. Not only is this our most important fundraising event of the year raising almost £3000 for Quaker Service but it strengthens the link with our South Belfast Friends and demonstrates what can be achieved when our small group work together.

We concluded the year with a Christmas themed Meeting For Worship which included music and verse followed by coffee and mince pies.

At a recent Meeting For Worship the various contributions created a theme of "Looking forward with a positive attitude". We ask God's guidance to continue this theme when we as a Meeting go forward in 2023.

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- We provide financial support to Quaker Service and a range of other charities from regular collections at our Meetings. We also support the charity Concern by making our premises available to them for a small rent.
- We have engaged with the local community through membership of the North Belfast Heritage Cluster which we hope will make the Meeting House more visible and allow us to make a contribution to the regeneration of the area;

Financial Review Our financial statement for the period 1st January 2022 to 31st December 2022 is attached to this report.

We are gradually getting back to pre Covid 19 activities at the Meeting House. We gained a modest £140 from use of our premises by outside groups. This amount should increase when our property becomes much more attractive to outside organisations following the planned refurbishments. Funds were spent during the year on heating and electricity, insurance and rates, general maintenance and a new Nest remote heating control.

Collections were taken for 6 different charities with Quaker Service being the main benefactor. A substantial sum was raised from our very successful Christmas craft fair held in December.

Total income during the year 2022 amounted to £29,688.61 and total expenditure came to £16,651.44. The account balance on 31st December was £45,886.66

Declaration This report was approved at the Annual General Meeting on 30th October 2022 and is signed on behalf of trustees.

Edmund Livingston

Clerk of Trustees
The Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) In Ireland, Frederick Street

The Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in Ireland, Frederick Street Preparative Meeting

Northern Ireland - Charity number 107081

Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Frederick Street Preparative Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in Ireland

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my/our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Name: Owen Fulton

Address: 31 Elmfield Crescent Newtownabbey

Date: 1/10/23

Signature:



