

# Kells and Connor Senior Citizens Luncheon Club

Northern Ireland · Charity number 107099

## Details

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**Known as** Kells Luncheon Club

**Status** Received

**Registered** 2018-09-17

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Purposes:** To promote the benefit of the Senior Citizens of the area and its immediate environs without distinction of; (a)- Sex, race, political or religious or other opinions, age, marital status or sexual orientation (b) -Men and women generally (c) -Persons with a disability and persons without; and (d) -Persons with dependents and persons without. And to provide facilities in the interests of spiritual and social welfare in and for health, recreation and leisure time activities with the object of improving conditions of life for the Senior Citizens.

**What the charity does:** The advancement of health or the saving of lives, The advancement of citizenship or community development

**How the charity works:** Advice/advocacy/information, Gender, General charitable purposes, Medical/health/sickness, Relief of poverty, Religious activities, Welfare/benevolent

**Who the charity helps:** Community safety/crime prevention, Men, Mental health, Older people, Sensory disabilities, Unemployed/low income, Women

## Finances

| Period end | Income  | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|---------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2025-08-31 | £10,969 | £11,260     | £0     | 0         |

## Trustees

| Name              | Role | Appointed |
|-------------------|------|-----------|
| Alan Forster      |      |           |
| Bob Bramley       |      |           |
| Margaret Fowler   |      |           |
| Mr Campbell Allen |      |           |
| Mrs Pauline Brown |      |           |
| Nelson Stewart    |      |           |
| Pearl Hanna       |      |           |
| Robert Fowler     |      |           |

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# Accounts

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**Kells and Connor Luncheon Club**  
**Receipts and Payments Account Y/E 31 August 2025**

**Receipts**

|   |                |                      |
|---|----------------|----------------------|
| Opening Bank Balance 1 <sup>^</sup> Sept 2024         |                | <b>4249.10</b>       |
| Grants from Mid & East <b>Antrim</b> Council          |                | <b>1817.05</b>       |
| Income from Meals                                     |                | <b>6300.69</b>       |
| Membership Fees                                       |                | <b>670.00</b>        |
| Donation from Dinsmore Ltd                            | <b>1000.00</b> |                      |
| *     "   Kells Pharmacy                              | <b>200.00</b>  |                      |
| "     "   Sizzlers                                    | <b>65.00</b>   |                      |
| "     "   Others                                      | <b>200.00</b>  | <b>1465.00</b>       |
| Collection at Annual Church Service                   |                | <b>205.00</b>        |
| Money from non members for outing etc                 |                | <b>135.00</b>        |
| Lodgement Error                                       |                | <b>20.00</b>         |
| Money collected for Chest, Heart & Stroke association |                | <b><u>346.51</u></b> |
|   |                | <b>£15218.35</b>     |

**Payments**

|   |                |                       |
|---|----------------|-----------------------|
| Provisions                                |                |                       |
| Butcher                                   | <b>1436.25</b> |                       |
| Grocer                                    | <b>1353.70</b> | <b>2789.95</b>        |
| Annual Outing                             |                |                       |
| Coach Hire                                | <b>775.00</b>  |                       |
| Morning Tea & Scones                      | <b>240.00</b>  |                       |
| Lunch                                     | <b>1100.00</b> | <b>2115.00</b>        |
| To Charities                              |                |                       |
| Chest Heart & Stroke                      | <b>800.00</b>  |                       |
| Oebbie Simpson                            | <b>40.00</b>   |                       |
| Belfast City Mission                      | <b>50.00</b>   |                       |
| Hamsayeh International (Clair Arian)      | <b>50.00</b>   |                       |
| Calvary Mission C/o C Houston             | <b>50.00</b>   | <b>990.00</b>         |
| Iris Farmhouse Cuisine (Christmas dinner) | <b>1932.00</b> |                       |
| Insurance                                 | <b>367.66</b>  |                       |
| Taxi fees                                 | <b>536.00</b>  |                       |
| Gifts to Members during year              | <b>269.03</b>  |                       |
| Christmas Gifts                           | <b>948.19</b>  |                       |
| Entertainment Expenses                    | <b>350.00</b>  |                       |
| Prizes for draw                           | <b>30.87</b>   |                       |
| Lunch at Ross Park for Kitchen Staff      | <b>204.80</b>  |                       |
| To Kells Church for Heat & Light etc      | <b>500.00</b>  |                       |
| Staff Hygiene Certificates                | <b>72.00</b>   |                       |
| Sundry Expenses                           | <b>46.75</b>   |                       |
| Error in Lodgement                        | <b>1.00</b>    |                       |
| Bank Fees                                 | <b>107.28</b>  | <b>5365.58</b>        |
| Closing Balance in bank                   |                | <b><u>3957.82</u></b> |
|   |                | <b>£15218.35</b>      |



31<sup>st</sup> Aug 2025

Robin Fowler

(Treasurer)

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# Accounts

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**Receipts and Payments Account Y/E 31 August 2024**

**Receipts**

|  |        |               |
|--|--------|---------------|
| Opening Bank Balance 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept 2023 |        | 4621.01       |
| Grants from Mid & East Antrim Council          |        | 1250.00       |
| Income from Meals                              |        | 6441.00       |
| Membership Fees                                |        | 670.00        |
| Donation from Dinsmore Ltd                     | 750.00 |               |
| "    "    Kells Pharmacy                       | 200.00 |               |
| "    "    Others                               | 239.00 | 1189.00       |
| Collection at Annual Church Service            |        | 583.00        |
| Money from non members for outing etc          |        | <u>289.00</u> |
|  |        | £15043.01     |

**Payments**

|   |         |                |
|---|---------|----------------|
| Provisions                                      |         |                |
| Butcher   | 1317.78 |                |
| Grocer  | 1286.54 | 2604.32        |
| Annual Outing                                   |         |                |
| Bus Hire  | 500.00  |                |
| Lunch at Bushfoot Golf Club                     | 1029.00 |                |
| Tea at Roe Valley                               | 364.50  | 1893.50        |
| To Charities                                    |         |                |
| Children's Hospice                              | 700.00  |                |
| Kids 4 School                                   | 60.00   |                |
| Spud Bear Ministries                            | 50.00   |                |
| Hamsayeh International (Clair Arian)            | 50.00   | 860.00         |
| Iris Farmhouse Cuisine (Christmas dinner)       | 1848.00 |                |
| Insurance                                       | 380.22  |                |
| Taxi fees                                       | 536.00  |                |
| Gifts to Members (inc. Birthday Cakes)          | 294.00  |                |
| Christmas Gifts                                 | 737.70  |                |
| Entertainment Expenses                          | 270.00  |                |
| Rev Boyd's retirement gift & flowers for Thelma | 308.00  |                |
| Lunch at Ross Park for Kitchen Staff            | 234.00  |                |
| Tank of Gas                                     | 111.00  |                |
| To Kells Church for Heat & Light etc            | 500.00  |                |
| Sundry Expenses                                 | 77.39   |                |
| Bank Fees                                       | 139.78  | 5436.09        |
| Closing Balance in bank                         |         | <u>4249.10</u> |
|   |         | £15043.01      |

*Robin Fowler*

31<sup>st</sup> Aug 2024

Robin Fowler (Treasurer)

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# Annual report

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## KELLS AND CONNOR LUNCHEON CLUB

### 36<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 21<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024

#### Secretary's Report for the period September 2023 – August 2024

It gives me great pleasure to present this Secretary's report for the period September 2023 to August 2024.

In total the Club met on 32 occasions throughout the year. On average 50 members were in attendance each week which reflects a decrease in previous years. Based on these figures over 1,600 lunches were prepared during the session.

Thankfully we were able to meet for lunch each week without any restrictions and this was made possible by the grants, donations and member's contributions obtained by our Treasurer. The Committee took great interest in agreeing how the finances could be best used for the members throughout the year. Also, the membership and lunch costs are to be kept the same for this year.

Christmas lunch was held on 14th December 2023 and was another great success with 85 members and guests present. Iris Edgar again provided a marvellous Christmas dinner. All the members went home well-fed clutching presents.

The next big event was the retirement lunch of the Reverend Brian Boyd held on February 22<sup>nd</sup>. A picture of Kells church painted by a local artist was given to Brian from the members of the club.

The Annual Church Service was held on 21st April 2024 in Kells Presbyterian Church conducted by the Reverend Noel McClean with some members taking part. The offering that evening raised £583.00. This plus a donation of £117 from the clubs' funds totalling £700 was presented to The Children's Hospice.

On Friday the 1st of March, Alan Forster, Robin and Margaret Fowler and I attended the AGEWELL AWARDS event in in Tullyglass Hotel. The luncheon Club had been shortlisted in three categories. Unfortunately, we didn't get the three awards but won the trophy for the best luncheon club in all the Mid and East Antrim area. We also enjoyed a delightful lunch and entertainment.

The annual outing took place on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June and we travelled to Ballycastle and around the Antrim coast stopping at Portballintrae Golf Club where we had a great carvery lunch. Then travelled on via Portstewart to Limavady where we had tea, scones and tray bakes in the Roe Valley Hotel. Unfortunately, the weather was not kind to us but all who went had an enjoyable time.

This event ended our Luncheon Club year.

The committee met 5 times and different issues were discussed. At the last meeting our Constitution, Equal Opportunity Policy, General Risk Assessment and Adult's Safeguarding Policy were reviewed. No changes were deemed necessary.

This year we had some new members join, taking our total to 66 members. New members are always very welcome and can I encourage you to invite others to come along I'm sure they would enjoy it.

The years pass quickly and our aches and pains don't heal so fast. Some members have been ill and we all wish them well for the coming year and look forward to them joining us again soon.

We had a varied programme of entertainment throughout the year and we are thankful to those who came along to educate, sing and exercise us.

Lastly, we all would like to thank those ladies who give up their time to prepare the meals for us. It has become more difficult for us all with the rising cost of living (and Robin will be referring to this later) great credit goes to those ladies who enable the cost of our meals to remain the same. Also, I would like to thank Margaret who welcomes us each week and Paula who sets the tables and provides the serviettes and table decorations each week.

This ladies and gentlemen concludes my report.

Signed Robert Bramley

Dated 21st September 2024

Robert Bramley

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# Annual return

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**Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of  
KELLS & CONNOR LUNCHEON CLUB TRUST.**

**Charity No**      **NIC 107099**

**A charity that is not a company and has an income of less than £250,000.**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st Aug 2024, as set out on the attached page.

**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:

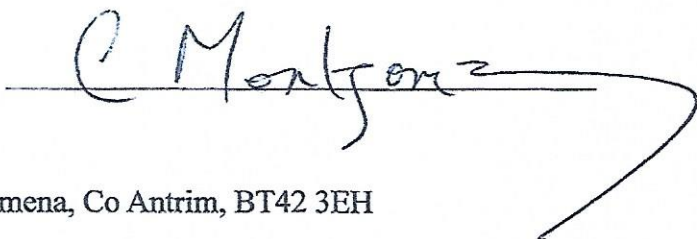
- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

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: Colin Montgomery

Address: 94 Church Road, Glenwherry, Ballymena, Co Antrim, BT42 3EH

Date: 03<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2024

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# Accounts

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**Kells and Connor Luncheon Club**  
**Receipts and Payments Account Y/E 31 August 2023**

**Receipts**

|  |         |               |
|--|---------|---------------|
| Opening Bank Balance 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept 2022 | 3304.90 |               |
| Cash in Hand                                   | 4.51    | 3309.41       |
| Grants from Mid & East Antrim Council          | 1750.00 |               |
| Grant from Community Foundation                | 2000.00 | 3750.00       |
| Income from Meals                              |         | 5161.00       |
| Membership Fees                                |         | 680.00        |
| Money received for Bus Trips                   |         | 630.00        |
| Donation from Dinsmore Ltd                     | 750.00  |               |
| "    "    Kells Pharmacy                       | 200.00  |               |
| "    "    Amazon                               | 18.41   |               |
| "    "    Others                               | 130.00  | 1098.41       |
| Collection at Annual Church Service            | 230.50  |               |
| Money donated by members for Air Ambulance     | 285.00  |               |
| Other  | 20.00   | <u>535.50</u> |
|  |         | £15164.32     |

**Payments**

|   |         |                |
|---|---------|----------------|
| Provisions                                  |         |                |
| Butcher                                     | 1210.30 |                |
| Grocer                                      | 1246.52 | 2456.82        |
| Annual Outing                               |         |                |
| Hire of two Buses                           | 700.00  |                |
| Morning Tea at Colemans GC                  | 295.80  |                |
| Lunch at Half Way House Hotel               | 864.00  |                |
| Tea at Marine Hotel                         | 297.00  | 2156.80        |
| To Charities                                |         |                |
| Belfast City Mission                        | 50.00   |                |
| Air Ambulance inc donations by members      | 335.00  |                |
| Hamsayeh International (Clair Arian)        | 300.00  | 685.00         |
| includes loose offering from Church service |         |                |
| Iris Farmhouse Cuisine (Christmas dinner)   | 1740.00 |                |
| Insurance                                   | 375.22  |                |
| Taxi fees                                   | 508.00  |                |
| Gifts to Members inc. Coronation Gifts      | 626.44  |                |
| Christmas Gifts                             | 851.45  |                |
| Entertainment Expenses                      | 220.00  |                |
| Ross Park ref Kitchen Staff Lunch           | 229.45  |                |
| To Kells Church for Heat & Light etc        | 500.00  |                |
| Sundry Expenses                             | 69.01   |                |
| Bank Fees                                   | 125.12  | 5244.69        |
| Closing Balance in bank                     |         | <u>4621.01</u> |
|   |         | £15164.32      |

*Robin Fowler*

31<sup>st</sup> Aug

2023

Robin Fowler (Treasurer)

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# Annual report

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### **35<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 21<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023**

#### **Secretary's Report for the period September 2022 – June 2023**

It gives me great pleasure to present my first Secretary's report for the period September 2022 to June 2023.

In total the Club met on 29 occasions throughout the year. On average 46 members were in attendance each week which reflects a decrease in previous years. Based on these figures over 1,300 lunches were prepared during the session.

After the quiet years, due to the pandemic, this last year has been busy for all.

Thankfully we were able to meet together for lunch each week and this was made possible by the grants, donations and member's contributions obtained by our Treasurer. The Committee took great interest in agreeing how the finances could be best used for the members throughout the year.

Christmas lunch was held on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2022 and was another great success with 85 members and guests present. Iris Edgar again provided a marvellous Christmas dinner. All the members went home well-fed clutching presents.

The Annual Church Service was held on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2023 in Connor Presbyterian Church led by the Reverend Philip Thompson. The offering raised £250 which was sent to Hamsayeh International.

The King's Coronation was celebrated on 4<sup>th</sup> May. Paula providing the decorations and Pearl a beautifully made crown. We were thankful for the grant from Mid and East Antrim Borough Council.

The next highlight was our Annual Outing on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023. The first stop was at Coleman's Garden Centre for a scone and refreshments followed by ample time to shop. We moved onto The Halfway House Hotel for an excellent. The weather was sunny and warm with great scenic views on the road to Ballycastle. We again enjoyed scones and refreshments at The Marine Hotel, this was shortly followed with an Ice cream – not to be missed on a warm summer's day.

This event ended our Luncheon Club year.

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The years pass quickly and our aches and pains don't heal so fast. Some members have been ill and we all wish them well for the coming year and look forward to them joining us again soon. A number of our members sadly lost their battle with illness. We continue to remember them in our hearts.

We had a varied programme of entertainment throughout the year and we are thankful to those who came along to educate, sing and exercise us.

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