

Belfast Spiritualist Church

Northern Ireland · Charity number 107677

Details

Status Received

Registered 2020-12-14

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

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Activities

Purposes: The objects of the Church are to advance the religion and the religious philosophy of Spiritualism on the basis of the Seven Principles of SNU Spiritualism.

What the charity does: The advancement of religion

How the charity works: Counselling/support, Education/training, Religious activities, Welfare/benevolent

Who the charity helps: Adult training, General public, Interface communities, Volunteers

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£33,324	£25,788	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mr Curtis Lemon		
Mr Eamonn Andrews		
Mr Noel Adams		
Mrs Bertha Patricia James		
Mrs Charlotte Henderson		
Mrs Colette Diamond		
Mrs Margaret Roe		
Mrs Vivienne Reynolds		
Ms Nicola Smith		

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Accounts

Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

for

Belfast Spiritualist Church

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for the year ended 31 December 2025**

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Belfast Spiritualist Church
General Information
for the year ended 31 December 2025



PROPRIETOR: Trustees

ADDRESS: 134 Malone Avenue
Belfast
Co. Antrim
BT9 6ET

ACCOUNTANTS: Cleaver Black
Chartered Accountants
Suite 5 Ormeau House
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Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2025



Accountants' Report to
Belfast Spiritualist Church

In accordance with instructions given to us we have prepared without carrying out an audit the annexed financial statements from the accounting records of Belfast Spiritualist Church and from information and explanations supplied to us.

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Cleaver Black
Chartered Accountants
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Belfast
Co. Antrim
BT7 1SH

Date: 18 February 2026.

Client Approval Certificate

I approve the financial statements and confirm that I have made available all relevant records and information for their preparation.

.....
Trustees

Date:

Belfast Spiritualist Church
Detailed Profit and Loss Account
for the year ended 31 December 2025



	2025	£	2024	£
Income				
Sunday Collection	5,841		5,899	
Weddings	5,531		6,370	
Development Circles	1,233		1,679	
Papers/Magazines	247		405	
Membership	919		1,351	
Readings	1,840		2,070	
Awareness Group	3,186		3,941	
Books	-		53	
Donation	97		52	
Fri/Sat events	1,667		1,334	
Workshop events	7,550		4,245	
Funerals	780		60	
Fundraising	2,845		4,616	
Mediumship	847		825	
	32,583		32,900	
Other income				
Deposit account interest		741		725
		33,324	↓	33,625
Expenditure				
Rates and water	325		510	
Insurance	918		796	
Light and heat	2,686		4,282	
Telephone	764		731	
Post and stationery	333		133	
Computer Costs	351		306	
Repairs and renewals	3,935		990	
Household and cleaning	1,529		1,796	
Medium's Expenses	7,882		5,714	
TV Licence	180		159	
Magazines/Books	273		386	
Sundry expenses	918		1,700	
Wedding Expenses	2,542		2,792	
Accountancy	540		516	
SNU fees and healing	1,757		1,726	
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets				
Fixtures and fittings	524		499	
Computer equipment	331		188	
	25,788		23,224	
		7,536		10,401
Finance costs				
Bank charges		71		72
NET PROFIT		7,465	↘	10,329

Belfast Spiritualist Church

Balance Sheet
31 December 2025



	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	1	<u>89,390</u>	<u>88,404</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
SNU Investment Account		30,250	29,514
SNU Deposit Account		322	316
Northern Bank a/c		58,150 ↑	52,952
Cash in hand		<u>451</u>	<u>-</u>
		<u>89,173</u>	<u>82,782</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade creditors		<u>-</u>	<u>(88)</u>
		<u>89,173</u>	<u>82,694</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>178,563</u>	<u>171,098</u>
FINANCED BY			
CAPITAL ACCOUNT	2	<u>178,563</u>	<u>171,098</u>

Belfast Spiritualist Church

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2025



1. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Long leasehold £	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST					
At 1 January 2025	86,269	7,357	33,413	990	128,029
Additions	-	-	1,426	415	1,841
At 31 December 2025	<u>86,269</u>	<u>7,357</u>	<u>34,839</u>	<u>1,405</u>	<u>129,870</u>
DEPRECIATION					
At 1 January 2025	-	7,357	31,472	796	39,625
Charge for year	-	-	524	331	855
At 31 December 2025	<u>-</u>	<u>7,357</u>	<u>31,996</u>	<u>1,127</u>	<u>40,480</u>
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 31 December 2025	<u>86,269</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,843</u>	<u>278</u>	<u>89,390</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>86,269</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,941</u>	<u>194</u>	<u>88,404</u>

2. CAPITAL ACCOUNT

	2025 £	2024 £
Brought forward	171,098	160,769
Add		
Net profit	7,465	10,329
	<u>178,563</u>	<u>171,098</u>

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Date:

Belfast Spiritualist Church

**Detailed Profit and Loss Account
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Sunday Collection	5,899		5,394	
Weddings	6,370		8,960	
Development Circles	1,679		1,688	
Papers Magazines	405		418	
Membership	1,351		1,033	
Readings	2,070		2,470	
Awareness Group	3,941		3,753	
Books	53		80	
Donation	52		234	
Fri Sat events	1,334		1,227	
Workshop events	4,245		4,020	
Funerals	60		70	
Fundraising	4,616		580	
Mediumship	825		276	
		32,900		30,203
Other income				
Government grants	-		250	
Deposit account interest	725		389	
		725		639
		33,625		30,842
Expenditure				
Rent	-		16	
Rates and water	510		450	
Insurance	796		722	
Light and heat	4,282		1,946	
Telephone	731		707	
Post and stationery	133		298	
Computer Costs	306		558	
Repairs and renewals	990		12,346	
Household and cleaning	1,796		1,741	
Medium's Expenses	5,714		6,714	
TV Licence	159		158	
Magazines/Books	386		341	
Sundry expenses	1,700		790	
Wedding Expenses	2,792		4,132	
Accountancy	516		516	
SNU fees and healing	1,726		1,748	
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets				
Fixtures and fittings	499		527	
Computer equipment	188		188	
		23,224		33,898
		10,401		(3,056)
Finance costs				
Bank charges		72		71
NET PROFIT/(LOSS)		<u>10,329</u>		<u>(3,127)</u>

Belfast Spiritualist Church

**Balance Sheet
31 December 2024**

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FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	1	<u>88,404</u>	<u>89,091</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
SNU Investment Account		29,514	28,794
SNU Deposit Account		316	311
Northern Bank a/c		52,952	42,503
Cash in hand		-	69
		<u>82,782</u>	<u>71,677</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade creditors		<u>(88)</u>	<u>1</u>
		<u>82,694</u>	<u>71,678</u>
NET ASSETS			
		<u>171,098</u>	<u>160,769</u>
FINANCED BY			
CAPITAL ACCOUNT			
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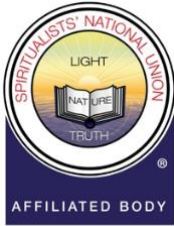
2. CAPITAL ACCOUNT

	2024 £	2023 £
Brought forward	160,769	163,896
Add		
Net profit	<u>10,329</u>	<u>-</u>
	171,098	163,896
Less		
Net loss	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,127)</u>
	<u>171,098</u>	<u>160,769</u>

Belfast Spiritualist Church

Northern Ireland - Charity number 107677

Annual report



Belfast Spiritualist Church

Annual Report & Statement of Accounts

For the year to 31st December 2024

134 Malone Avenue, Belfast. BT9 6ET

PROMOTING THE RELIGION OF SPIRITUALISM THROUGH THE SEVEN PRINCIPLES

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Belfast Spiritualist Church NIC 107677
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Trustees' Report for the Year January 1, 2024, to December 31, 2024

The Trustees of Belfast Spiritualist Church are pleased to share the Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2024. This report has been prepared in line with the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice to provide a clear overview of the church's activities and financial position over the past year.

Purpose and Public Benefit of Our Charity

Purpose

Belfast Spiritualist Church exists to promote the religion and philosophy of Spiritualism. We do this by holding weekly Divine Services every Sunday, along with services on selected other days, welcoming all members of the public to join us in worship.

Beyond our services, the Church is committed to spiritual education. We offer classes and workshops led by experienced tutors, along with access to a well-stocked library to support personal learning and growth. We also provide training for those wishing to enter the Spiritualist Ministry and for our Church Trustees, helping to ensure the continued strength and development of our Spiritualist community.

Public Benefits

Belfast Spiritualist Church offers real and meaningful benefits to the public through the teachings of our spiritual philosophy. We help individuals build a deeper connection with God, which brings a sense of peace, comfort, and reassurance, especially during difficult times. Many find strength in knowing they are not alone and that there is always a spiritual source of support.

Our church also encourages personal spiritual growth and a greater awareness of one's inner self. At the same time, we nurture a strong sense of community, where everyone feels welcome and valued. The wider impact includes promoting a positive way of living based on spiritual and moral values, helping people become more compassionate, caring, and community minded.

We also provide individual pastoral support, tailored to meet the needs of each person, offering a listening ear and a caring presence whenever it's needed.

Public Use of Services

Church members and members of the wider community benefit from a range of official services we offer, including spiritual healing, guidance, and officiating at important life events such as weddings and funerals. These services play a meaningful role in people's lives and reflect our commitment to sharing Spiritualism with others.

The value of this work is seen in the positive feedback we regularly receive from those who attend or use our services. We welcome suggestions and comments through a suggestion box in the church and encourage feedback through our social media channels. In addition, we hold Annual General Meetings where members can share their views and help shape the future of our church.

To support the delivery of these services, we make necessary payments to a member of our religious ministry who leads them. These payments cover the essential costs of providing such services and ensure we can continue this important aspect of our spiritual and community work.

2024 Achievements – A Review of Key Activities Advancing Our Purpose for Public Benefit

Committee Commitment and Community Engagement

The committee at Belfast Spiritualist Church is committed to making our services and spiritual practices open and welcoming to all. We work to ensure that worship is accessible and meaningful for everyone, and we actively encourage both regular attendees and new visitors to become part of our church family.

The committee not only helps manage the public services we provide but also looks for new ways to connect with the wider community and invite more people to get involved in church life. Whether it's through prayer, shared philosophy, or our regular gatherings, we do our best to live out our beliefs and strengthen the sense of connection and belonging among those we serve.

Planning and Achievements for 2024

As we planned our activities for 2024, our focus was on ensuring that everything we do continues to offer real public benefit and supports the core aims of our charity. Alongside our regular services, we set clear goals to help the church grow and reach more people.

Here are some of the steps we've taken:

- **Sharing our message more widely** – We used social media and printed materials to reach a broader audience, helping more people discover how our spiritual philosophy can bring positive change and support into their lives.
- **Improving education and accessibility** – We updated and expanded our educational programmes, designing new class materials to suit different experience levels and attract new participants to our workshops and development circles.
- **Building community connections** – We've made extra efforts to connect with our local area by delivering leaflets and promoting our services online, inviting more people to engage with what we offer.
- **Enhancing pastoral and healing support** – We've continued to grow our spiritual healing work and personalised pastoral care, keeping it focused on

individual needs and increasing the number of people who benefit from these important services.

Together, these efforts have strengthened our ability to serve the public, support spiritual growth, and share our message with kindness and purpose.

Providing an Open and Welcoming Church

At Belfast Spiritualist Church, we remain committed to being an open and welcoming spiritual home for all. Our doors are open every Sunday for Divine Services, as well as for additional Spiritualist gatherings throughout the week. These services offer a space for prayer, healing, reflection, and connection—welcoming everyone, regardless of background or belief.

We are heartened by the strong attendance at our weekly services, particularly in the evenings, which continue to provide a warm and uplifting atmosphere for worship. Through these gatherings, we actively promote our religion and religious philosophy, helping people find spiritual meaning and inspiration to make positive changes in their lives.

To support this outreach, we have steadily expanded the number of services offered—now available on most days of the week—and enhanced our efforts to reach the wider public through leaflet distribution and a growing online presence. The consistent, positive feedback from attendees reaffirms that our services are valued and spiritually enriching.

Providing Spiritual Healing

Spiritual healing remains a vital and deeply valued aspect of our religious practice at Belfast Spiritualist Church. In recent years, we have witnessed a steady increase in those seeking the comfort and support that healing can provide—particularly in response to the emotional, mental, and physical stresses brought about by rising living costs and other personal challenges.

To meet this growing need, we offer a dedicated healing service every Thursday evening, which continues to serve as a place of peace and renewal for many. In 2024, we further extended our commitment to this work by introducing a Sunday Healing Service, now held every two months, allowing even more individuals to access the benefits of spiritual healing.

These services are led by our experienced and compassionate team of volunteer healers, all of whom are trained and accredited by the Spiritualists' National Union (SNU). This ensures the highest standards of care, professionalism, and spiritual integrity. Through their dedication, we can offer healing that uplifts, restores, and reconnects individuals with the Divine energy within.

Promoting Pastoral Care

Providing compassionate support to those in need remains a core expression of our religious philosophy at Belfast Spiritualist Church. We are committed to ensuring that all individuals, especially those who may be isolated due to illness, age, or other circumstances, feel seen, valued, and spiritually connected.

Our pastoral care team, including trustees and volunteers, continues to make regular visits to members of the church and wider community who are unable to attend services. These visits offer emotional and spiritual comfort, prayer, and companionship, helping recipients feel closely connected to the life and energy of the church. In doing so, we not only provide essential care but also deepen the bonds of fellowship that lie at the heart of our ministry.

Providing a Weekly Spiritual Awareness Class

Our weekly Spiritual Awareness Class offers an inclusive and nurturing environment for all who seek to explore and deepen their spiritual understanding. Open to the public, this class supports our mission to promote the philosophy of Spiritualism while encouraging personal reflection and inner growth.

Spiritual development is central to our faith, and these classes serve as a platform to revisit core values such as compassion, service, gratitude, and personal responsibility. In response to growing interest, we introduced a revised and expanded educational programme to accommodate a range of learning needs and spiritual interests.

The positive response from participants has been encouraging, with increased attendance and heartfelt feedback indicating that many are finding renewed meaning and connection through the sessions. The continued success of the Spiritual Awareness Class reflects our commitment to fostering spiritual wellbeing and lifelong learning within our community.

Promoting Official Services

Belfast Spiritualist Church continues to actively promote the values and philosophy of Spiritualism through the delivery of official services, including weddings, funerals, naming ceremonies, and spiritual blessings. These services offer important opportunities to engage with the wider public and provide meaningful support during life's most significant moments.

By offering these services to both church members and the broader community, we not only fulfil an essential spiritual and pastoral role, but also raise awareness of Spiritualism as a compassionate, inclusive, and values-driven religion. Each ceremony is conducted with reverence and care by trained and approved members of our ministry team, ensuring that every service is deeply personal and spiritually enriching.

Through these engagements, individuals often form a deeper connection with our church and philosophy. Feedback from attendees continues to be overwhelmingly

positive, with many expressing gratitude for the unique spiritual insight and comfort provided during these key life events. In this way, our official services serve as a powerful outreach tool and a vital expression of our commitment to public benefit.

Increasing Awareness Through social media and Leaflets

At Belfast Spiritualist Church, we continue to put considerable effort into promoting our services and fostering a welcoming community spirit. Our ongoing outreach through social media platforms, our church website, and printed leaflets has significantly contributed to raising awareness about our Divine Services, spiritual healing sessions, and educational programs.

These promotional activities have helped us connect with both existing members and new visitors, encouraging more people to engage with our church and experience a supportive and reflective environment. Many attendees have shared that reconnecting with the church has positively impacted their mental and emotional well-being, reinforcing the importance of our work within the community.

Throughout 2024, our increased visibility has been reflected in the growing attendance at our Sunday Divine Services and other events. Despite the many social challenges faced today, our commitment to providing spiritual comfort, guidance, and reassurance remains steadfast. We are proud of the welcoming space we offer and the positive difference it continues to make in people's lives.

Structure, Governance, and Management – Appointment of Trustees

Belfast Spiritualist Church is governed according to the rules outlined in our governing document, "Rules for Churches."

Trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting (AGM), held on the third Wednesday of February each year. During the AGM, committee members, officers, and the church warden are democratically elected by the members of our charity. Each trustee is nominated and seconded by members, with the final selection determined by a vote at the meeting.

The church committee is responsible for making decisions on all matters of general importance, including the allocation of funds. The committee meets monthly to address various issues. Due to the committee's broad responsibilities, smaller sub-committees focus on specific areas such as spiritual healing, outreach, pastoral care, and teaching spiritualist philosophy. These sub-committees report regularly to the main church committee. All church business is discussed during these monthly meetings, and minutes are recorded.

The following individuals served as Trustees (Church Committee Members) from January 1, 2024, to December 31, 2024:

- Bertha Patricia James
- Minister Eamonn Andrews

- Colette Diamond
- Charlotte Henderson
- Margaret Roe
- Nicola Smith
- Vivienne Reynolds
- Colleen Scott
- Curtis Lemon
- Noel Adams

Volunteers

All our trustees and those involved in the daily operations of our church are dedicated volunteers who generously give their time for the benefit of our members and visitors. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who works diligently to create and sustain the vibrant and supportive community that defines our church.

Financial Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the year

The accounts for the year 2024 are fully compliant and include a statement of Financial Activities and a balance sheet.

The charity's accountants/independent examiners are -

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The charity banking account is with Danske Bank.

Finance Report for the year 2024

Total income for the year 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024 was £33,625 while total expenditure was £23,224

Income was generated through donations collected during Divine Services, educational workshops and classes, sales of educational materials, membership fees, spiritualist readings, and other contributions, including fees for officiating at official services.

The accounts showed a good profit of £10,329 for 2024. Our annual accounts continue to be prepared each year by experienced accountants Cleaver Black. The balance sheet continues to remain strong.

Income 2024

There was an overall increase in income of £2,783. A smaller number of weddings £6,370 and training/education workshops £4245 in 2024.

Expenses

The expenditure for the year was reduced to (£23,224) compared to last year when our building had repairs. Other costs include expenses for workshops, weddings and expenses incurred by an increase in visiting mediums.

Balance Sheet

In 2024, I am pleased to report that the church remains financially secure and maintains a healthy financial position, thanks to careful financial management. (Please refer to the detailed financial accounts below.)

This Trustee Report has been approved by the Church Committee of Belfast Spiritualist Church on 21st May 2025 and signed on their behalf by the Church President, Minister Eamonn Andrews.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eamonn Andrews', written in a cursive style.

Eamonn Andrews (Minister)

President Belfast Spiritualist Church
21st May 2025

Detailed Profit and Loss Account

For the year ended 31st December 2024

Income	2024 £	2023 £
Sunday Collection	5,899	5,394
Weddings	6,370	8,960
Development Circles (Education)	1,679	1,688
Papers/Magazines	405	418
Membership	1,351	1,033
Readings	2,070	2,470
Awareness Group (Education)	3,941	3,753
Books	53	80
Donations	52	234
Fri/Sat Events	1,334	1,227
Workshop Events	4,245	4,020
Naming Ceremonies	-	-
Funerals	60	70
Fundraising	4,616	580
Mediumship	825	276
Other Income	-	250
Government Grants		
Other Income	725	389
Deposit account interest		

Total	33,625	30,842
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Expenditure	2024	2023
Rent	-	16
Rates and Water	510	450
Insurance	796	722
Light and Heat	4,282	1,946
Telephone	731	707
Post and Stationery	133	298
Computer Costs	306	558
Repairs and Renewals	990	12,346
Household and Cleaning	1,796	1,741
Mediums Expenses	5,714	6,714
TV Licence	159	158
Magazines/Books	386	341
Teaching Expenses	-	-
Sundry Expenses	1726	790
Wedding Expenses	2,792	4,132
Accountancy	516	516
SNU Fees and Healing Fees	1,726	1,748
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets,	(a) 499 (b) 188	(c) 527 188
Fixtures and fittings (a)		
Computer Equipment (b)		

Finance costs/Bank charges	72	71
Total	<u>23,224</u>	<u>33,898</u>

NET PROFIT	2024	2023
	10,329	3,127

Balance Sheet for 31st December 2022

Fixed Assets	Notes	2023	2023
		£	£
Tangible Assets	1	88,404	89,091
Current Assets			
SNU Investment Account		29,514	28,794
SNU Deposit Account		316	311
Danske (Northern) Bank a/c		52,952	42,503
Cash in hand		-	69
		82,694	71,677
Current Liabilities			
Trade creditors		88	1
		82,694	71,677

Net Assets		171,098	160,769
Financed By Capital Account	2	171,098	160,769

Note 1 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Long Leasehold	Plant and Machinery	Fixture and Fittings	Computer Equipment	Totals £
Cost 31 st Dec 2024	86,269	7,357	33,413	990	128,029
Depreciation On 1 January 2023	-	7,357	30,973	608	38,938
Charge for year	-	-	499	188	687

Net Book Vaue	Long Leasehold	Plant and Machinery	Fixture and Fittings	Computer Equipment	Totals £
At 31/12/2023	<u>86,269</u>	-	1,941	194	88,404
At 31/12/2024	<u>86,269</u>	-	<u>2,440</u>	382	89,091

Note 2 Capital Account

Capital Account	2024 £	2023 £
Brought forward	160,769	163,896

Add net profit	10.329	
Less net loss	-	(3,127)
	171,098	160,769

Belfast Spiritualist Church

Northern Ireland - Charity number 107677

Annual return

Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2024

Accountants' Report to
Belfast Spiritualist Church

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Date:

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Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

for

Belfast Spiritualist Church

Belfast Spiritualist Church

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Belfast Spiritualist Church
General Information
for the year ended 31 December 2023

PROPRIETOR: Trustees

ADDRESS: 134 Malone Avenue
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ACCOUNTANTS: Cleaver Black
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Date:

Client Approval Certificate

I approve the financial statements and confirm that I have made available all relevant records and information for their preparation.

.....
Trustees

Date:

Belfast Spiritualist Church

Detailed Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31 December 2023

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Sunday Collection	5,394		4,230	
Weddings	8,960		8,260	
Development Circles	1,688		1,129	
Papers/Magazines	418		406	
Membership	1,033		759	
Readings	2,470		2,257	
Awareness Group	3,753		2,230	
Books	80		-	
Donation	234		781	
Fri/Sat events	1,227		771	
Workshop events	4,020		3,015	
Namings	-		430	
Funerals	70		-	
Fundraising	580		-	
Mediumship	276		-	
	<u> </u>	30,203	<u> </u>	24,268
Other income				
Government grants	250		-	
Deposit account interest	389		200	
	<u> </u>	639	<u> </u>	200
		<u> </u>		<u> </u>
		30,842		24,468
Expenditure				
Rent	16		31	
Rates and water	450		12	
Insurance	722		664	
Light and heat	1,946		2,118	
Telephone	707		701	
Post and stationery	298		208	
Computer Costs	558		144	
Repairs and renewals	12,346		507	
Household and cleaning	1,741		1,466	
Medium's Expenses	6,714		3,689	
TV Licence	158		159	
Magazines/Books	341		291	
Teaching Expenses	-		375	
Sundry expenses	790		1,291	
Wedding Expenses	4,132		4,507	
Accountancy	516		468	
SNU fees and healing	1,748		500	
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets				
Fixtures and fittings	527		590	
Computer equipment	188		-	
	<u> </u>	33,898	<u> </u>	17,721
		<u> </u>		<u> </u>
		(3,056)		6,747
Finance costs				
Bank charges		71		59
		<u> </u>		<u> </u>
NET (LOSS)/PROFIT		<u> </u>		<u> </u>
		(3,127)		6,688

Belfast Spiritualist Church

**Balance Sheet
31 December 2023**

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	1	<u>89,091</u>	<u>88,627</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
SNU Investment Account		28,794	28,408
SNU Deposit Account		311	308
Northern Bank a/c		42,503	46,552
Cash in hand		69	-
		<u>71,677</u>	<u>75,268</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade creditors		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
		<u>71,678</u>	<u>75,269</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>160,769</u>	<u>163,896</u>
FINANCED BY			
CAPITAL ACCOUNT	2	<u>160,769</u>	<u>163,896</u>

Belfast Spiritualist Church

**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

1. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Long leasehold £	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST					
At 1 January 2023	86,269	7,357	35,256	420	129,302
Additions	-	-	609	570	1,179
Disposals	-	-	(2,452)	-	(2,452)
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At 31 December 2023	86,269	7,357	33,413	990	128,029
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DEPRECIATION					
At 1 January 2023	-	7,357	32,898	420	40,675
Charge for year	-	-	527	188	715
Eliminated on disposal	-	-	(2,452)	-	(2,452)
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At 31 December 2023	-	7,357	30,973	608	38,938
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NET BOOK VALUE					
At 31 December 2023	86,269	-	2,440	382	89,091
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At 31 December 2022	86,269	-	2,358	-	88,627
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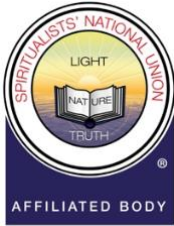
2. CAPITAL ACCOUNT

	2023 £	2022 £
Brought forward	163,896	157,208
Add		
Net profit	-	6,688
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	163,896	163,896
Less		
Net loss	(3,127)	-
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	160,769	163,896
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Belfast Spiritualist Church

Northern Ireland - Charity number 107677

Annual report



Belfast Spiritualist Church

Annual Report & Statement of Accounts

For the year to 31st December 2023

134 Malone Avenue, Belfast. BT9 6ET

PROMOTING THE RELIGION OF SPIRITUALISM THROUGH THE SEVEN PRINCIPLES

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Trustees' Report for the Year January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023

The trustees of Belfast Spiritualist Church are pleased to present their annual report and financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2023. This report has been prepared in accordance with the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice.

Purpose and Public Benefit of Our Charity

Purpose

Belfast Spiritualist Church is dedicated to advancing the religion and religious philosophy of Spiritualism. To fulfil this mission, the charity holds Divine Services every Sunday and on other selected days, inviting the public to participate in worship.

In addition, we offer spiritual education and tuition in religious philosophy, provided by our experienced tutors. The Church supports this educational mission by organising training classes, hosting workshops, and maintaining an extensive library to facilitate learning. Furthermore, we are committed to promoting training for the Spiritualist Ministry as well as for our Church Trustees, ensuring the continued growth and development of our community.

Public Benefits

The Belfast Spiritualist Church provides significant public benefits through our religious philosophy, offering individuals the opportunity to develop a deeper connection with God. This connection fosters a sense of safety and security, reassuring people that they are not alone in the world. Our philosophy and support services help individuals trust that there is a source of comfort and refuge available during challenging times.

In addition, our church encourages people to become more aware of their own spiritual selves, while also promoting a strong sense of community belonging. The direct benefits to the public and society include the promotion of a personal philosophy and a moral framework for living, guiding individuals to be good citizens. Through this process, people develop an increased awareness of core values such as compassion, selfless service, and friendship. We also provide personalised pastoral care to meet the unique needs of everyone.

Additional Benefits and Feedback

Church members and the wider public benefit from the official services we offer, including spiritual healing, guidance, and officiating for weddings and funerals. The positive impact of our charity is evident through feedback and reviews from church members, visitors, and the public who use these services. We actively seek input by providing a suggestion box inside our church and encouraging feedback on social media. We consistently receive positive

feedback and hold Annual General Meetings to discuss church business and gather further input.

For the purposes of the Church, incidental and necessary payments are made to a member of our religious ministry who officiates at these services. These ceremonies, offered to the public, are a vital part of our work in promoting our religion and religious philosophy. The payments made cover essential expenses required to facilitate the provision of these religious services.

2023 Achievements – A Review of Key Activities Advancing Our Purpose for Public Benefit

Committee Commitment and Community Engagement

The committee of Belfast Spiritualist Church remains dedicated to making worship accessible to as many people as possible and actively encourages both congregation members and visitors to become part of our church community. The committee oversees the services we offer to the public and regularly suggests ways to further involve local communities in our activities. Through prayer, philosophy, and our services, we strive to put our beliefs into practice, fostering a deeper connection within our community.

Planning and Achievements for 2023

When planning our activities for 2023, we carefully considered how to maximise public benefit and advance our purposes and objectives. In addition to our regular services, we set additional goals aimed at expanding and growing our charity. These goals included utilising social media and distributing leaflets to:

- **Promote our religion and religious philosophy** to a broader audience, helping individuals bring positive change into their lives.
- **Enhance and expand our educational curriculum** to attract newcomers to our classes and workshops. We redesigned our training materials to accommodate different levels of ability.
- **Engage more actively with our local community** through the services we provide. We continue to reach out to neighbours and distribute leaflets and advertise our services on social media.
- **Further develop our pastoral care** to ensure it remains person centred and increase the number of people who benefit from our spiritual healing services.

Providing an Open and Welcoming Church

We are committed to maintaining an open and welcoming church, holding services every Sunday as well as additional Spiritualist services during the week. Our goal is to create a space where the community can come together for prayer and spiritual reflection. Everyone is welcome, and each week we see a strong turnout, with our evening services offering a wonderful environment for worship.

Through these services, we promote our religion and religious philosophy, encouraging individuals to make positive changes in their lives. In our pursuit of these goals, we have successfully expanded the spiritual services we provide to most days of the week. We have also devoted significant effort to maximising the impact of our services by distributing

leaflets and an online presence. The positive feedback we have received indicates that those who attend find our services both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling.

Providing Spiritual Healing

Spiritual healing is a vital aspect of our religion, and we have seen a growing number of people attending our healing services. In recent years, especially with the challenges posed by rising living costs, many have sought our help for healing—whether physical, mental, emotional, or spiritual. Our church offers a healing service every Thursday evening, which has provided comfort and support to many individuals. In 2023 we also commenced a Sunday Healing Service which takes place every two months.

Those who attend receive healing from our dedicated and approved healers, who volunteer their time and energy. Our healers are trained and accredited by the Spiritualists' National Union, ensuring they meet high standards of care and expertise.

Promoting Pastoral Care

Providing support to those in need is a core expression of our religious philosophy. We continue to offer assistance to church members and community members who are unable to attend services due to illness or age. Our trustees and pastoral care team make visits to those who request it, offering spiritual and pastoral support while keeping them connected with the church community. These visits not only provide essential care but also foster fellowship, strengthening our bonds and offering comfort to those who need it most.

Providing a Weekly Spiritual Awareness Class

Our weekly Spiritual Awareness Class, open to everyone, is designed to promote our Spiritualist philosophy while offering a valuable opportunity for spiritual self-reflection and healing. Spiritual growth is central to our religious philosophy, and the class serves as a reminder of life's important values, such as kindness and service to others.

To expand these opportunities, we introduced an enhanced and revised educational program. The feedback has been positive, with an increasing number of participants attending the class. We are pleased that more people are benefiting from the spiritual self-awareness that the class provides, reflecting the growing impact of our efforts.

Promoting Official Services

We continue to effectively highlight the benefits of Spiritualism through our official services, including weddings and funerals. By providing these services to the broader community, we raise public awareness of our church and the various offerings we provide.

Increasing Awareness Through Social Media and Leaflets

We continue to work diligently to promote our services and encourage people to attend to feel a sense of connection with community. Our efforts have led to an increase in attendance, and feedback indicates that reconnecting with the church has positively impacted people's mental well-being.

We have utilised social media, our church website, and leaflets to promote our Divine Services and spiritual healing. This increased visibility has helped attract new individuals to our church, providing them with a safe and reflective environment to worship and deepen their spirituality. Our success is reflected in the growing number of attendees at our Sunday Divine Services and the positive feedback we receive.

In 2023, we continued to achieve significant success in welcoming newcomers to our church. Despite the numerous challenges faced in modern society, we remain committed to offering spiritual comfort and reassurance to many individuals.

Structure, Governance, and Management – Appointment of Trustees

Belfast Spiritualist Church is governed according to the rules outlined in our governing document, "Rules for Churches."

Trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting (AGM), held on the third Wednesday of February each year. During the AGM, committee members, officers, and the church warden are democratically elected by the members of our charity. Each trustee is nominated and seconded by members, with the final selection determined by a vote at the meeting.

The church committee is responsible for making decisions on all matters of general importance, including the allocation of funds. The committee meets monthly to address various issues. Due to the committee's broad responsibilities, smaller sub-committees focus on specific areas such as spiritual healing, outreach, pastoral care, and teaching spiritualist philosophy. These sub-committees report regularly to the main church committee. All church business is discussed during these monthly meetings, and minutes are recorded.

The following individuals served as Trustees (Church Committee Members) from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023:

- Bertha Patricia James
- Minister Eamonn Andrews
- Colette Diamond
- Charlotte Henderson
- Margaret Roe
- Nicola Smith
- Vivienne Reynolds

The following additional Individual Trustees were elected to serve at our AGM on 21st February 2024:

- Colleen Scott
- Curtis Lemon
- Noel Adams

Volunteers

All our trustees and those involved in the daily operations of our church are dedicated volunteers who generously give their time for the benefit of our members and visitors. We

extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who works diligently to create and sustain the vibrant and supportive community that defines our church.

Financial Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the year

The accounts for the year 2023 are fully compliant and include a statement of Financial Activities and a balance sheet.

The charity's accountants/independent examiners are -

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The charity banking account is with Danske Bank.

Finance Report for the year 2023

Total income for the year 1st January 2023 to 31st December 2023 was £30,842 while total expenditure was £33,898

Income was generated through donations collected during Divine Services, educational workshops and classes, sales of educational materials, membership fees, spiritualist readings, and other contributions, including fees for officiating at official services.

The accounts showed a loss of (£3,056) for 2023 due to essential repairs to our church building which added to £12,346. Our annual accounts continue to be prepared each year by experienced accountants Cleaver Black. The balance sheet continues to remain strong considering the additional essential building expenditure.

Income 2023

There was an overall increase in income of £6,635. This was attributable to an increase in number of Weddings (£8,960) and training/education workshops (£4020) in 2023.

Expenses

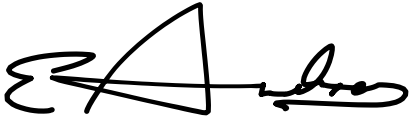
However, the expenditure for the year is (£33,898), an increase of £16,177 on last year's expenses. An additional expenditure increase (£12,346) was due to a break-down in our heating and essential renovation for the church building. Other costs include expenses for weddings and expenses incurred by an increase in visiting mediums.

Balance Sheet

In 2023, I am pleased to report that the church remains financially secure and maintains a healthy financial position, thanks to careful financial management. (Please refer to the detailed financial accounts below.)

This Trustee Report has been approved by the Church Committee of Belfast Spiritualist Church on 27th September 2024 and signed on their behalf by the Church President, Minister Eamonn Andrews.

Yours sincerely,



Eamonn Andrews (Minister)

President Belfast Spiritualist Church
27th September 2024

Detailed Profit and Loss Account

For the year ended 31st December 2023

Income	2023 £	2022 £
Sunday Collection	5,394	4,230
Weddings	8,960	8,260
Development Circles (Education)	1,688	1,129
Papers/Magazines	418	406
Membership	1,033	759
Readings	2,470	2,257
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Fri/Sat Events	1,227	771
Workshop Events	4,020	3,015
Naming Ceremonies	-	430
Funerals	70	-
Fundraising	580	-
Mediumship	276	-
Other Income	250	-
Government Grants		
Other Income	389	200
Deposit account interest		
Total	30,842	24,468

Expenditure	2023	2022
Rent	16	31
Rates and Water	450	12
Insurance	722	664
Light and Heat	1,946	2,118
Telephone	707	701
Post and Stationery	298	209
Computer Costs	558	144
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TV Licence	158	159
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Teaching Expenses	-	375
Sundry Expenses	790	1,291
Wedding Expenses	4,132	4,507
Accountancy	516	468
SNU Fees and Healing Fees	1,748	500
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets, Fixtures and fittings (a) Computer Equipment (b)	(a) 527 (b) 188	590
Finance costs/Bank charges	71	59
Total	<u>33,898</u>	<u>17,721</u>

NET PROFIT	2023	2022
	<u>3,127</u>	<u>6,688</u>

Balance Sheet for 31st December 2022

Fixed Assets	Notes	2023	2022
		£	£
Tangible Assets	1	89,091	88,267
Current Assets			
SNU Investment Account		28,794	28,408

SNU Deposit Account		311	308
Danske (Northern) Bank a/c		42,503	45,552
Cash in hand		69	
		71,677	75,268
Current Liabilities			
Trade creditors		1	-
		71,677	75,269
Net Assets		160,769	163,896
Financed By	2	160,769	163,896
Capital Account			

Note 1 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Long Leasehold	Plant and Machinery	Fixture and Fittings	Computer Equipment	Totals £
Cost	86,269	7,357	35,256	420	129,302
At 1 st Jan 2023	(a) - (b) -	(a) - (b) -	(a) 609 (b) (2,452)	(a) 570 (b) -	(a) 1,179 (b) (2,452)
Additions (a)					
Disposals (b)					
Cost	86,269	7,357	33,413	990	128,029

31 st Dec 2023					
Depreciation	-	7,357	32,898	420	40,675
On 1 January 2023					
Charge for year	-	-	527	188	715
Eliminated on disposal	-	-	(2,452)	-	(2,452)
On 31 st December 2023	-	7,357	30,973	608	38,938

Net Book Vaue	Long Leasehold	Plant and Machinery	Fixture and Fittings	Computer Equipment	Totals £
At 01/1/2023	<u>86,269</u>	-	2,440	383	89,091
At 31/12/2023	<u>86,269</u>	-	<u>2,358</u>	-	88,627

Note 2 Capital Account

Capital Account	2023 £	2022 £
Brought forward	163,896	157,208
Add net profit		6,688
Less net loss	(3,127)	
	160,769	163,896

Belfast Spiritualist Church

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Annual return

Belfast Spiritualist Church

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Patricia

Please find attached a set of accounts for your attention.

The church made a loss for the year of £3k , and this is principally due to repairs £12k

- Income was up 28% on last year
- Overheads doubled on last year, due to the repairs.

The hard copy of the accounts is here to be collected along with the records.

Many thanks for your instructions.

Kind regards

Philip Black
Cleaver Black

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