

THE CHURCH OF GOD AT NEWTOWNARDS

Northern Ireland · Charity number 108338

Details

Status	Received
Registered	2021-10-18
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

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Activities

Purposes: 3.1. The Charity's objects are: 3.1.1. to proclaim the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ by every scriptural and legitimate means, including preaching, publishing and the distribution of literature; 3.1.2. to teach Believers the whole counsel of God as contained in the Holy Scriptures; 3.1.3. to help and support those in need both spiritually and practically; 3.1.4. to adhere to the Guiding Principles. Nothing in this Constitution shall authorise an application of the property of the Charity for purposes which are not charitable in accordance with s.2 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

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:

Counselling/support, Cross-border/cross-community, Cultural, Disability, Education/training, Gender, General charitable purposes, Relief of poverty, Religious activities, Volunteer development, Welfare/benevolent, Youth development

Who the charity helps: Addictions (drug/solvent/alcohol abuse), Adult training, Asylum seekers/refugees, Carers, Children (5-13 year olds), Ethnic minorities, Ex-offenders and prisoners, General public, Homelessness, Men, Mental health, Older people, Parents, Sensory disabilities, Sexual orientation, Unemployed/low income, Voluntary and community sector, Volunteers, Women, Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-09-30	£134,763	£131,021	£0	1
2024-09-30	£41,715	£48,388	£0	1

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mr Jay Kevin Marotta		
Mr Philip Joseph McMullan		
Mr Raymond Miskelly		
Pastor Kenneth James Mcalees		
Pastor Thomas Bell		

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TRUSTEE'S ACCOUNTS
CHURCHES OF GOD IN IRELAND
NEWTOWNARDS CONGREGATION
YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2025

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**TRUSTEES'S ACCOUNTS
CHURCHES OF GOD IN IRELAND
NEWTOWNARDS CONGREGATION**

**ACCOUNTS REPORT
YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2025**

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I have not carried out an audit of the accounts.

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TRUSTEES ACCOUNTS
 CHRUCHES OF GOD IN IRELAND
 NEWTOWNARDS CONGREGATION
 INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2025

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Offerings, Gifts & Fundraising	39592	38004
Youth Groups Rent, Heat & Light	-	1756
Mission & Conference	-	1844
Building Fund	62400	-
Bank Interest	<u>124</u>	<u>111</u>
General Office	778	-
Gift Aid	31869	-
Total Income	134763	41715
 <u>Expenditure</u>		
Salaries & National Insurance	20865	22992
General Office	2094	2384
Local Office & Ministry Expenses	2226	1019
Repairs, Maintenance & Cleaning	94810	7218
Music Ministry & Sound Equipment	1574	2961
Light & Heat	4504	4335
Water Charges	677	624
Insurance	1529	1460
Gifts, Missions & Visiting Ministry	20	131
Children & Youth Work	120	561
Motor Expenses	-	720
Manse Expenses	-	2410
Church Supplies	695	997
Rates	504	482

Bank Charges	104	<u>94</u>
Travel Expenses	1299	-
Total Expenses	131021	48388
Net Surplus/Deficit for Year	3742	(6673)

TRUSTEES ACCOUNTS
CHURCHES OF GOD IN IRELAND
NEWTOWNARDS CONGREGATION
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER 2025

	2025	2024
FIXED ASSETS		
Church Buildings	82808	82808
Furnishing & Equipment	<u>24967</u>	<u>24967</u>
Total Fixed Assets	107775	107775
CURRENT ASSETS		
Danske Bank Current Account	35924	30556
Danske Bank Deposit Account	1490	1468
Total Current Assets	37414	32024
Net Current Assets	145189	139799
Less Current Liabilities		
Sundry Creditors	(1872)	(224)
NET ASSETS	143317	139575
FINANCED BY:		
CAPITAL FUND		
Balance at 30 th September 2024 & 2025	107775	107775
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS		
Balance at 30 th September 2025	31800	38473
Less Net Surplus/Deficit for Year	3742	(6673)
Balance at 30 th September 2025		
TOTAL FUNDS	143317	139575

TRUSTEES ACCOUNTS
CHURCHES OF GOD IN IRELAND
NEWTOWNARDS CONGREGATION
30TH SEPTEMBER 2025

THE ACCOUNTS WERE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON:

DATE: 1/5/2026.

SIGNED: Kenneth Wallace Smith for himself
Jay Martin

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS 30TH SEPTEMBER 2025

1. FIXED ASSETS

	Church Buildings	Furnishings & Equipment	Totals
COST			
At 30th September 2025	<u>82808</u>	<u>24967</u>	<u>107775</u>
Additions during Year-	-	-	-
At 30 th September 2025	<u>82808</u>	<u>24967</u>	<u>107775</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 30 th September 2025	-	-	-
Charge for Year	-	-	-
At 30 th September 2025	-	-	-
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 30 th September 2025	<u>82808</u>	<u>24967</u>	<u>107775</u>
At 30 th September 2025	<u>82808</u>	<u>24967</u>	<u>107775</u>

2. DEPRECIATION

Church Buildings, Furniture and Equipment are not depreciated.

3. VALUATION OF CHURCH BUILDINGS

The value of Church Buildings for insurance purposes includes an extension to the rear of the original Church Building which is included in the books of the Play-A-Way Children Centre at a cost at 31st August 2001 of £100641.

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Offerings, Gifts & Fundraising	38004	35724
Youth Groups Rent, Heat & Light	1756	7406
Mission & Conference	1844	-
Building Fund	-	11873
Bank Interest	<u>111</u>	<u>150</u>
Total Income	41715	55153
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Salaries & National Insurance	22992	22342
General Office	2384	840
Local Office & Ministry Expenses	1019	800
Repairs, Maintenance & Cleaning	7218	45812
Music Ministry & Sound Equipment	2961	4137
Light & Heat	4335	6623
Water Charges	624	530
Insurance	1460	1363
Gifts, Missions & Visiting Ministry	131	173
Children & Youth Work	561	558
Motor Expenses	720	1230
Manse Expenses	2410	3841
Church Supplies	997	593
Rates	482	-
Bank Charges	<u>94</u>	<u>104</u>
Total Expenses	48388	89306
Net Surplus/Deficit for Year	(6673)	(33883)

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER 2024

	2024	2023
FIXED ASSETS		
Church Buildings	82808	82808
Furnishing & Equipment	<u>24967</u>	<u>24967</u>
Total Fixed Assets	107775	107775
CURRENT ASSETS		
Danske Bank Current Account	30556	38891
Danske Bank Deposit Account	1468	1456
Total Current Assets	32024	40347
Net Current Assets	139799	148122
Less Current Liabilities		
Sundry Creditors	(224)	(1874)
NET ASSETS	139575	146248
FINANCED BY:		
CAPITAL FUND		
Balance at 30 th September 2023 & 2024	107775	107775
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS		
Balance at 30 th September 2024	38473	72356
Less Net Surplus/Deficit for Year	(6673)	(33883)
Balance at 30 th September 2024		
TOTAL FUNDS	139575	146248

TRUSTEES ACCOUNTS
CHURCHES OF GOD IN IRELAND
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30TH SEPTEMBER 2024

The Accounts were approved by the Board of Trustees on: 8/6/2025

Kenneth McAlees.

P. M. McElroy
P. M. McElroy
Tay McElroy

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS 30TH SEPTEMBER 2024

1. FIXED ASSETS

	Church Buildings	Furnishings & Equipment	Totals
COST			
At 30th September 2024	<u>82808</u>	<u>24967</u>	<u>107775</u>
Additions during Year-	-	-	
At 30 th September 2024	<u>82808</u>	<u>24967</u>	<u>107775</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 30 th September 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	-
Charge for Year	-	-	-
At 30 th September 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	=
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 30 th September 2024	<u>82808</u>	<u>24967</u>	<u>107775</u>
At 30 th September 2024	<u>82808</u>	<u>24967</u>	<u>107775</u>

2. DEPRECIATION

Church Buildings, Furniture and Equipment are not depreciated.

3. VALUATION OF CHURCH BUILDINGS

The value of Church Buildings for insurance purposes includes an extension to the rear of the original Church Building which is included in the books of the Play-A-Way Children Centre at a cost at 31st August 2001 of £100641.

These are the minutes of a meeting of the trustees of the Church of God Newtownards held on the 25th June 2025 in the church premises at 10a Zion Place, Newtownards BT23 7ER.

Those present were; Pastor Kenneth McAlees, Mr Jay Marotta, Mr Philip McMullan, Mr Raymond Miskelly,

Apologies; Pastor Thomas Bell

1. **Quorum:** The chairman confirmed that there were sufficient attendees to form a quorum, and the meeting proceeded with the current business.
2. **Declaration of interest:** The trustees present confirmed that they had no direct or indirect interest in any way in the proposed business to be considered at the meeting which they were obliged to disclose.
1. **Objective of the meeting:**
 - a. To present and review the financial accounts of the church for year ending September 2024.
 - b. To consider the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.
 - c. The ongoing repairs to the church building.

Minutes

Each of the trustees received a copy of the annual accounts of the church for year ending 30th September 2024. After consideration of the report of the church financial accounts the trustees unanimously accepted the document which was then signed by each trustee. We reviewed the planned refurbishment of the church interior which was complete to a high standard as recorded in the 2023 report.

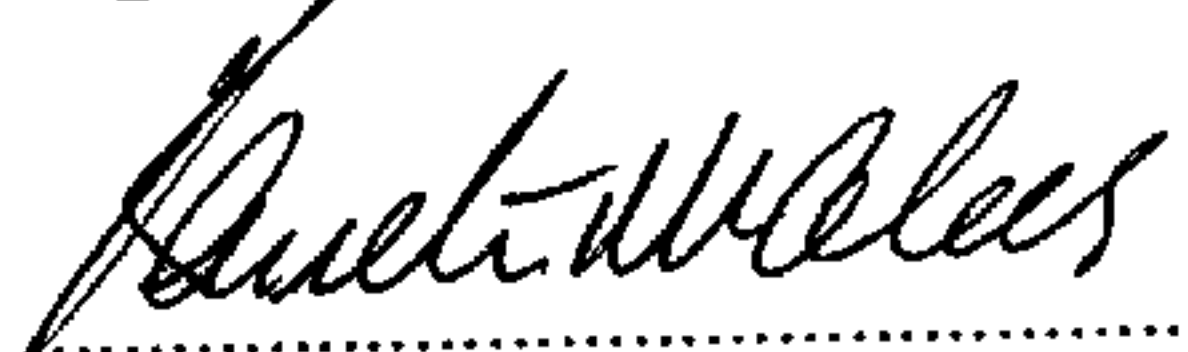
The church roof was badly damaged in storm "EOWYN" on the 24th January 2025. Pastor McAlees reported the damage to the church insurance company, Arthur J Gallagher and our claim is still ongoing, but we hope to commence work to replace the roof within the next few months. We have secured a contractor to do this work and quotations have been submitted by them.

Our public benefit includes the advancement of religion through the provision of church services, youth group activities and Sunday school, ladies and men's fellowship meetings and support for local and foreign missions. We continue in our efforts to relieve poverty in the community through contributions of food through the local food bank and outreach programs to train and educate people. We have run gospel centred

training programs such as "Discipleship explored" and "The Alpha course". These are widely advertised, and everyone is invited and welcome to attend.

The trustees agreed that we have met our commitment according to our public benefit and as there was no further business to discuss, the meeting was closed in prayer and thanksgiving.

Signed by Chairman 25th June 2025


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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2023

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Offerings, Gifts & Fundraising	35724	38756
Youth Groups Rent, Heat & Light	7406	6565
Furlough	-	1100
Building Fund	11873	-
Bank Interest	<u>150</u>	<u>180</u>
Total Income	55153	46601
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Salaries & National Insurance	22432	21285
General Office	840	840
Local Office & Ministry Expenses	800	873
Repairs, Maintenance & Cleaning	45812	3648
Music Ministry & Sound Equipment	4137	2080
Light & Heat	6623	4704
Water Charges	530	530
Insurance	1363	1292
Gifts, Missions & Visiting Ministry	173	853
Children & Youth Work	558	93
Motor Expenses	1230	1930
Manse Expenses	3841	2126
Church Supplies	593	-
Bank Charges	<u>104</u>	<u>109</u>
Total Expenses	89036	40363
Net Surplus/Deficit for Year	(33883)	6238

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER 2023

	2023	2022
FIXED ASSETS		
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Furnishing & Equipment	<u>24967</u>	<u>24967</u>
Total Fixed Assets	107775	107775
CURRENT ASSETS		
Danske Bank Current Account	38891	72221
Danske Bank Deposit Account	1456	1430
Total Current Assets	40347	73651
Net Current Assets	148122	181426
Less Current Liabilities		
Sundry Creditors	(1874)	(1295)
NET ASSETS	146248	180131
FINANCED BY:		
CAPITAL FUND		
Balance at 30 th September 2022 & 2023	107775	107775
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS		
Balance at 30 th September 2023	72356	66118
Less Net Surplus/Deficit for Year	(33883)	6238
Balance at 30 th September 2023		72356
TOTAL FUNDS	146248	180131

TRUSTEES ACCOUNTS
CHURCHES OF GOD IN IRELAND
NEWTOWNARDS CONGREGATION
30TH SEPTEMBER 2023

The Accounts were approved by the Board of Trustees on: 11th June 2024

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS 30TH SEPTEMBER 2023

1. FIXED ASSETS

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COST			
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Additions during Year-	-	-	
At 30 th September 2023	<u>82808</u>	<u>24967</u>	<u>107775</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 30 th September 2023	- _____	- _____	-
Charge for Year	-	-	-
At 30 th September 2023	- _____	- _____	-
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 30 th September 2023	<u>82808</u>	<u>24967</u>	<u>107775</u>
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Annual report

Minutes of the Church of God at Newtownards Trustee Meeting held on 11th June 2024 at Church of God 10A Zion Place, Newtownards BT23 7ER.

Present: Pastor Kenneth McAlees, Mr Philip McMullan, Mr Jay Marotta,
Mr Raymond Miskelly.

Apologies – Pastor Thomas Bell.

1. **Quorum** – The chairman confirmed that a quorum was present, and the meeting proceeded with the current business.
2. **Declaration of Interest** – Each trustee present confirmed that they had no direct or indirect interest in any way in the proposed transaction to be considered at the meeting which they were required to disclose.
3. **Purpose of the meeting and consideration of the document.**
 - A. To review the financial year ending September 2023
 - B. To consider the charity Commission guidance on public benefit.
 - C. Refurbishment of the Church building.

MINUTES

As part of the review of the church finances the trustee's received copies of the Annual Accounts. The income of £55,153 was offset by the expenditure of £89,036 resulting in a deficit of £33,883. The deficit is a direct result of the refurbishing costs and has been planned for through gifts and sacrificial giving from the congregation over the past few years leaving the church with accounts in profit by £40,347.

The church continues to provide a public benefit through childcare provision which consists of a preschool facility operating daily within the church buildings.

Public benefit also includes the advancement of religion through the provision of church services, youth group activities and Sunday school, Ladies and Men's fellowship meetings and support for local and foreign missions.

The church is committed to continue its aim in the relief of poverty in the local community by training and equipping youth and the elderly. The youth club currently is providing support for over 40 children and young people and their families. Currently 8 teenagers are regularly attending Sunday services.

The church congregation are benefiting from the church refurbishment which is almost completed although there is still the issue of the repairs needed to the church roof. This will need a large amount of money which is beyond our capability. We will look at the possibility of applying for grants to maintain buildings of worship to help with this project. We anticipate this will take several years to complete.

The Trustee's agreed we have met our commitment to public benefit and as there was no other business to discuss the meeting was closed with prayer and thanksgiving.

Signed by Chairman 11/06/24



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Annual return

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