

Trustees' Annual Report for the period: 1st Jan 23 to 31 Dec 23

Section A Reference and administration details

Branch name

Co Fermanagh Branch

(referred to hereinafter as either the "Branch" or the "Charity")

Other names / number Branch is known by

N/A

Registered charity number (if any)

NIC 108932

Branch's principal address

C/O Mr R Hall

11 Benaughlin Park, Enniskillen

Co Fermanagh

Postcode

BT74 6JT

Names of the Branch charity trustees who manage the charity (generally known as the Branch Committee)

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Robbie Morrison	President		Co Fermanagh Branch
2	Raymond Hall	Chairman		
3	Frank McGowan	Vice Chairman		
4	Edwin Wilson	Secretary		
5	Elaine McHugh	Treasurer	5 th March 23 – 2 nd Oct 23 Treasurer post taken over by R Morrison from 2.10.23 - Present	

Names of any other trustees for the Branch (eg any custodian trustees in relation to branch property)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
N/A	

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the branch's trusts

Type of governing document (e.g. trust deed, constitution)	Royal Charter, Rules, Byelaws, Area and Branch Regulations of the Royal Air Forces Association.
How the Branch charity is constituted (e.g. trust, association, company)	Unincorporated association

Trustee selection methods
(e.g. appointed by, elected by)

Elected by the branch membership

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the branch's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties (including branch club);
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Charity's organisational structure

The charity is a branch of the Royal Air Forces Association which is a Royal Charter body. The Association has many branches all of which share the same charitable object as the Association and are subject to the same constitution.

All Trustees are reminded of their responsibilities by Chairman on taking up post and regularly after following Charity Committee guidance.

All financial matters are discussed at each and every meeting.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the branch set out in its governing document

To promote, through the comradeship engendered by its members, the welfare by charitable means of all serving and former members of Her Majesty's Air Forces, their spouses and dependents, together with the widows and widowers and dependents of those who died whilst serving or subsequently.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The Trustees have had at all times due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

This year has been one of recovery and increased activity for the County Fermanagh Branch, Royal Air Forces Association. We have been active in keeping in touch with our members through phone calls, emails and text messaging and a number of activities and meetings. We also were very much remembering those who give so much in the World Wars and more recent conflict through our participation in commemorating Remembrance Sunday in Enniskillen and in Irvinestown.

In carrying out all of our activities we are mindful of the Byelaws and Rules of the overall Royal Air Forces Association and while we only in Sept 2022 were awarded our Charity Status and number, we have at all times during the year followed the guidance of the Charity Commission Northern Ireland.

During the year the Branch managed to achieve grant funding of £500.00 for a wellbeing project which consisted of three very well attended events taking place over three months in the Aisling centre, Enniskillen. This very much tied in with the RAFA Well Being strategy. Our Welfare Officers have also regularly contacted all members of the County Fermanagh Branch to check that they are well and to keep in touch and abreast of the news concerning RAFA. The Branch also runs a Whats App Group that many of our members find valuable.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the branch during the year

In the year we were pleased through our WINGS fundraising, managed to raise £3331.86p which was forwarded on to HQ on 28th November 2023

The County Fermanagh Branch operate entirely with volunteers and without their free giving of their time and expertise we could not continue to deliver our activities.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the branch's policy on reserves

The Branch operates with minimal financial transactions and have adequate reserves to operate for at least 6 months

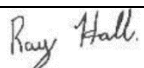
Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Section F Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the branch's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	R Hall	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairman	
Date	5 th March 2024	