

RAF Association Armagh Branch

Northern Ireland · Charity number 109160

Details

Status	Received
Registered	2022-11-27
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

Address	3 Taughrane Heights Dollingstown Craigavon 3 Taughrane Heights Dollingstown Dollingstown Lurgan BT66 7rs BT66 7RS
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Activities

Purposes: To help sustain a resilient and empowered RAF community, including serving personnel, RAF veterans and their families.

What the charity does: Other charitable purposes

How the charity works: Welfare/benevolent

Who the charity helps: General public

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£4,264	£3,639	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Jim Smyth		
Mr Andrew William Conn		
Mr Ivan Mcloughlin		

Accounts

Royal Air Forces Association Armagh Branch
Receipts and Payments Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Endowment Funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £
Receipts					
Donations		4244			4244
Proceeds from fund raising events		0			0
Bank and deposit interest		20			20
Grants		0			0
Other receipts		0			0
Total receipts	1	4264	0	0	4264
Payments					
Running costs		494			494
Collections sent to RAF headquarters		3145			3145
Administration costs		0			0
Total payments	1	3639	0	0	3639
Excess of Receipts over Payments for the year before transfers		625	0	0	625
Transfers		0	0	0	0
Excess of Receipts over Payments for the year		625	0	0	625

On behalf of the Trustees

Secretary - Andy Conn



Date 16 February 2026

Royal Air Forces Armagh Branch

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Endowment Funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £
Cash Funds					
Current accounts		8896	0	0	8896
Deposit accounts		0	0	0	0
Cash in hand		0	0	0	0
Total Cash Funds	2	<u>8896</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8896</u>
Investment Assets					
Investments		0	0	0	0
Total Investment Assets		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Assets retained for the RAF's own use					
None		0	0	0	0
Total Assets retained for the RAF's own use		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

On behalf of the Trustees

Secretary - Andy Conn



Date 16 February 2026

Royal Air Forces Armagh Branch

Notes to the financial statement for the year ended 31 December 2025 (cont'd)

1. Reconciliation of Cash Funds

	£
Total Cash Funds at beginning of the year as returned	6889
Receipts for the year 2025	4264
Year ended 31 December 2024 current accounts omitted	1382
Payments for the year 2025	(3639)
Total Cash Funds at end of the year	8896

2. Movement in Funds

	At 01 Jan 2025 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	At 31 Dec 2025 £
Restricted funds					
None	0	0	(0)	0	0
	0	0	(0)	0	0
Unrestricted funds					
General Fund	6889	288	(433)	0	6744
Wings fund	173	3369	(3145)	0	397
Welfare fund	1209	607	(61)	0	1755
	8271	4264	3639	0	8896
Total funds	8271	4264	3639	0	8896

3. Transactions with the Trustees

No trustee or a person related to a trustee had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year.

Accounts

Ser No	Date	Payment / Receipt Voucher No	Details of Transaction	Debit	Credit	Balance
1	01-Jan-24	E1	Balance brought forward from manual accounts (Bank statement dated 8 Jan 24)		£ 7,741.72	£ 7,741.72
2	02-Jan-24	BGC / E2	Receipt of stall income for Branch General Account		£ 205.00	£ 7,946.72
3	09-Jan-24	Bank Reconciliation	Statement dated 9 Jan 24 - Balanced			£ 7,946.72
4	15-Jan-24	Chq / 100147 / E3	Purchase of Poppy Appeal Shop Supplies	£ 186.15		£ 7,760.57
5	15-Jan-24	Chq / 100148 / E4	Purchase of stock RAFATRAD	£ 48.60		£ 7,711.97
6	15-Jan-24	Chq / 100149 / E5	Purchase of Printer Cartridge	£ 23.10		£ 7,688.87
7	26-Jan-24	Chq / 100150 / E6	Hire of room for branch meetings (RBL - Annual Fee)	£ 100.00		£ 7,588.87
8	08-Feb-24	Bank Reconciliation / E7	Statement dated 8 Feb 24 - Balanced			£ 7,588.87
9	01-Mar-24	Chq / 100151 / E8	Purchase of administrative supplies (cheque to Andy Conn)	£ 16.75		£ 7,572.03
10	02-Mar-24	Bank Reconciliation / E9	Statement dated 9 Mar 24 - Balanced			£ 7,572.03
11	11-Mar-24	Chq / 100152 / E10	RAFA Subscription Payment (Mr I McLoughlin)	£ 26.50		£ 7,545.53
12	26-Mar-24	Chq / 100153 / E11	Purchase of administrative supplies (cheque to Andy Conn)	£ 69.04		£ 7,476.49
13	08-Apr-24	Bank Reconciliation / E12	Statement dated 8 Apr 24 - Balanced			£ 7,476.49
14	01-May-24	BGC / E13	Payment of cash to bank (Membership £14.00 / Donation £6.00 from Mrs Black)		£ 20.00	£ 7,496.49
15	08-May-24	Bank Reconciliation / E14	Statement dated 8 May 24 - Balanced			£ 7,496.49
16	26-Jun-24	Chq / 100156 / E15	Purchase of supplies from RBL	£ 187.85		£ 7,308.64
17	03-Jul-24	Chq / 100155 / E16	Membership Subscriptions (Mrs Black)	£ 14.00		£ 7,294.64
18	08-Jul-24	Bank Reconciliation / E17	Statement dated 8 Jul 24 - Balanced			£ 7,294.64
19	08-Aug-24	BGC / E18	Membership Rebate from RAFA		£ 188.10	£ 7,482.74
20	08-Aug-24	Bank Reconciliation / E19	Statement dated 8 Aug 24 - Balanced			£ 7,482.74
21	14-Aug-24	Chq / 100157 / E20	Promo Wreath Purchase (cheque issued to T Jennings)	£ 100.00		£ 7,382.74
22	14-Aug-24	Chq / 100158 / E21	Flowers for Mrs Davies following death of husband	£ 40.50		£ 7,342.24
23	27-Aug-24	Chq / 100159 / E22	Purchase of business cards for Branch use (cheque to Andy Conn)	£ 15.00		£ 7,327.24
24	06-Sep-24	Bank Reconciliation / E23	Statement dated 6 Sep 24 - Balanced			£ 7,327.24
25	27-Sep-24	Chq / 100160 / E24	Christmas Bags/Hampers for members	£ 389.74		£ 6,937.50
26	08-Oct-24	Bank Reconciliation / E25	Statement dated 8 Oct 24 - Balanced			£ 6,937.50
27	23-Oct-24	Chq / 100161 / E26	Flower for Mrs Cotton following death of husband	£ 48.00		£ 6,889.50
28	08-Nov-24	Bank Reconciliation / E27	Statement dated 8 Nov 24 - Balanced			£ 6,889.50
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Annual report

Trustees' Annual Report for the period: 1st Jan 24 to 31 Dec 24

Section A Reference and administration details

Branch name

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

Other names / number Branch is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Branch's principal address

Postcode

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	Ivan McLoughlin	Chairman		Co Armagh Branch
2	Andrew Conn	Secretary		
3	Jim Smyth	Treasurer		
4				
5				

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	Elected by the branch membership

(e.g. appointed by, elected by)

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.

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 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.

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 £3046 which was forwarded on to HQ

The County Armagh 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)	<i>A Conn</i>	
Full name(s)	Andrew Conn	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	
Date	15.10.25	

RAF Association Armagh Branch

Northern Ireland - Charity number 109160

Annual return

RAF Association Armagh

Independent Examiner's Report to the Members of the RAF Association Armagh charity

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31/12/24, which are set out on pages 2 - 3.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2008.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit and is eligible for independent examination, 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 Charity Commission for Northern Ireland 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. The 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland
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.



Derek Browne ACMA
Insight Business Services

53 Bernice Road
Newtownabbey, BT36 4QZ

Accounts

Royal Air Forces Association Armagh Branch
Income/Expenditure as of 31st DECEMBER 2023

15/01/2024

BRANCH (Community Account) (93337863)

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Opening Balance 01/01/23	8,159.90	Travel (to be refunded wings appeal)	140.85
Cash in hand 01/01/23	9.66	Trading supplies	144.97
CHQ membership rebate 2023	168.00	Conference costs	258.94
Membership fees	40.50	Membership fees to CHQ	40.50
Income - Branch sales	815.06	postage (to be refunded wings appeal)	150.00
Donations	50.00	Admin supplies	277.89
		AGM	40.00
		Wreaths	82.50
		Wings Appeal	230.00
		sub	1,365.65
		closing bank balance 29/12/23	7,870.31
		cash in hand 29/12/23	7.16
total 9,243.12		total 9,243.12	

WELFARE (Community Account) (10231983)

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Opening Balance 01/01/23	3,370.53	Welfare visits costs	1,561.90
cash in hand 01/01/23	13.52	Mileage	152.25
Wings rebate	590.00	sub	1,714.15
Donations	397.40	closing bank balance 31/12/23	2,650.98
		cash in hand 31/12/23	6.32
total 4,371.45		total 4,371.45	

WINGS (Business Saver Account) (50643386)

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Opening Balance 29/12/22	663.66	Wings Return to CHQ	6,008.69
Cash in hand 29/12/22	772.47	closing bank balance 31/12/23	1,018.91
Wings receipts	5,576.80	cash in hand 31/12/23	4.27
Bank interest	18.94		
total 7,031.87		total 7,031.87	

We the undersigned certify that the above statement represents the true state of the aforementioned
Branch Accounts on closure as at 1st January 2024

Treasurer _____

Secretary _____

Auditor _____

Date 15.1.24 _____

Annual report

Trustees' Annual Report for the period						
Period start date			To	Period end date		
Day 31 st	march	Year 2023		Day 31 st	Month March	Year 2024

Section A
Reference and administration details

Branch name ARMAGH

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

Other names / number Branch is known by 797

Registered charity number (if any) CNI 109160

Branch's principal address

3 Taughrane Heights	
Dollingstown Lurgan Craigavon	
Co Armagh	
Postcode BT66 7RS	

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	Karl Magee	Chairman	2023	Committee/members
2	Tommy Foster	Treasure	2023	Committee/members
3	Andrew Conn	Secretary	2023	Committee/members
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Names of any other trustees for the Branch (for example, any custodian trustees in relation to branch property)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
NONE	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
NONE		

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the branch's trusts

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Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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Charity's organisational structure

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Trustee induction and training

- relationship with any related parties (including branch club);
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Related party relationships – club (if operated)

Risk management

Section C

Objectives and activities

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

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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)

Welfare was delivered face to face and by phone.
Christmas bags were delivered to members and widows.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grant making;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

No grants were made in 2022 by the branch.
The HWOs continued to carry out welfare as directed and on requested.
The branch has no investments.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the branch during the year

We held our monthly meetings after a long break.
 The branch annual dinner took place in Cookstown.
 The branch and regional standard bearers attended RBL festival of Remembrance in Clougher, Armagh, Craigavon and Belfast and the BofB Service in Carrickfergus.
 Branch members and the standard bearers attended Armagh, Portadown, Lurgan, Downpatrick, Donacloney and Richhill on remembrance Sunday to lay wreaths.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the branch's policy on reserves

The committee will continue to review this as it does each month.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

none

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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

- the branch's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the branch;
- investment policy and objectives including any

This year the stall has been out to raise funds for the branch and wings Appeal.
 Wings boxes have been out all year.
 The branch will claim its membership and wings rebate.

ethical investment policy
adopted. None.

Section F Other optional information

none

RAF Association Armagh Branch

Northern Ireland - Charity number 109160

Annual return

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees /
management committee
of

Branch / Branch Club Name
ROYAL AIR FORCE'S ASSOCIATION
ARMATH BRANCH

On accounts for the year
ended

31 DECEMBER 2023

Charity no
(if any)

NIC 109160

Independent
examiner's statement

You are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

I have completed my examination of the accounts of the charity.

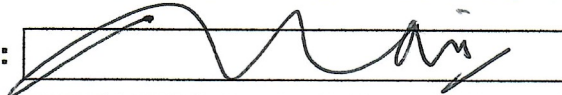
I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below*) which give me cause to believe that:

- ~~the accounting records were not sufficient to show and explain all the (Branch/Branch Club's) transactions for the year~~
- ~~the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or~~
- ~~the accounts did not contain a sufficient record of the assets and liabilities of the (Branch/Branch Club)~~

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:



Date:

17/2/2024

Name:

JOHN DAVIES MBE

QUALIFIED MILITARY ACCOUNTANT

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern

Give here brief details
of any items that the
examiner wishes to
disclose.

N/A

