

Trustees' Annual Report for the period	
Period start date	Period end date
01 January 2025	31 December 2025

Section A: Reference and administration details

Branch Name	ARMAGH 797
Other names / number Branch is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	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) (Please include all trustees for the Branch including custodian trustees in relation to branch property) *(Note: Details required are for the period 1 Jan – 31 Dec 25 only)*

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Ivan Mccloughlin	Chair	
2	Andrew Conn	Secretary	
3	Jim Smyth	Treasurer	
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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)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <p>Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;</p> <p>The branch's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works.</p> <p>Relationship with any related parties (including branch club).</p> <p>Trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.</p>	<h4>The Charity's Organisational Structure</h4> <p>The charity is a branch of the Royal Air Forces Association which is a Royal Charter body and registered as a charity in England and Wales under number 226686 and in Scotland under SC037673 ("the Association"). The Association has many branches all of which share the same charitable object as the Association and are subject to the same constitution.</p>
	<h4>Trustee Induction & Training <i>(Please insert any induction training or training courses completed by Trustees)</i></h4> <p>None</p>
	<h4>Related Party Relationships <i>(e.g. Club if operated)</i></h4> <p>None</p>
	<h4>Risk Management <i>(include details of any Risk Management documents held)</i></h4> <p>None</p>

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.
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Section D: Achievements and performance in 2024

Summary of the main achievements of the branch during the year	<h3>Chair Report</h3> <p>The branch has held our monthly meetings in the RBL club Armagh with low numbers attending. Over the year the branch has maintained its number with new members joining.</p>
	<h3>Treasurer Report</h3> <p>The accounts have been examined by an independent examiner and found to be in compliance. The accounts were reported at all meetings and accepted by all. The branch accounts are healthy for the future.</p>

Summary of the main achievements of the branch during the year (cont)	Branch Welfare Officer Report
	None carried out by the branch if any was required they were passed onto HQ.
	Fundraising Report <i>(please insert details of the Branch Fundraising activities i.e. Wings Appeal events)</i>
	Our wings boxes were out all year in 4 shops and we carried out a street collection in Banbridge for 2 days.
	Membership Engagement Report <i>(please insert details of the Branch Membership Engagement (newsletters, social media etc.))</i>
	None.

<p>Summary of the main achievements of the branch during the year (cont)</p>	<p>Wellbeing / Social Report <i>(please insert details of the Branch Wellbeing and Social events/activities)</i></p> <p>Wellbeing was provided at branch meetings (Tea/Coffee and sandwiches) this enabled the members to talk and catch up from the last meeting. Also if any wings boxes needed counting they helped with this.</p>
	<p>Commemoration Report <i>(please insert details of the Branch Commemoration events/activities (Remembrance, Standard Bearers Attendance at Funerals etc.)</i></p> <p>The branch members have attended members funerals and attended remembrance day parades and services in Armagh, Dungannon, Portadown, Lurgan, Downpatrick, Donaclony. And supported other RAFA branches BoB and dedication services.</p>
	<p>Community Engagement Report <i>(please insert details of the Branch Community Engagement activities (other groups you connect with, joint events such as Veterans Breakfasts)</i></p> <p>Branch members have engaged with other exservice groups and other RAFA branches.</p>

Section E: Financial Review

Statement on Branch Expenditure *(How has branch expenditure supported the key objectives of the branch)*

Branch admin and members wellbeing has been our objective through the year.

Statement on Branch's Reserve Policy *(Branch Regulations stipulate that any Branch with total assets amounting to more than £5,000 should have a reserves policy and any Branch with assets over £10,000 should consider transferring excess funds across to the Branch Deposit Fund held at Association HQ. A template reserves policy can be found on the Branch Portal)*

The branch has no reserve policy.

Statement on Branch's Investment Policy *(Please include a statement on Branch investments and holdings and how these are managed (if applicable))*

The branch has no investments.

Section F: Declaration

We confirm that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit

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

Signed on behalf of the branch's trustees

We confirm that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the relevant Charity Regulator on public benefit.

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

Signed on behalf of the branch's trustees

Signature



Full Name

Andrew William Conn

Position (eg. Chair, Secretary)

Secretary

Date

18th February 2026