



Kilmore Oneilland Trust ('KOT')

(also known as 'KILMORE ONEILLAND BPT LTD')

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The Trustees present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st May 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS 102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2008 and Accounting and Reporting by 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 published on 16 July 2014 (as amended by Update Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016)

General Information

The address of the charitable company's registered office is 45 Seagoe Road, Portadown, Craigavon, Northern Ireland, BT63 5HW.

Trustees of the charity

The directors of the charitable company are its trustees for the purposes of charity law. The trustees who have served during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Primrose Eileen Wilson CBE
Shelagh Winter
William Brian Sandford
Conor Matthew Connelly Sandford
Averil Morrow
Sean Hagan
Elizabeth (Ann) Cassidy
Audrey Hampton
John Matchett

Principal purpose of Kilmore Oneilland Trust

The principal purpose of Kilmore Oneilland Trust ("KOT") is to identify buildings or structures of particular beauty, or historic, environmental, architectural or constructional merit or interest in Northern Ireland and in particular the Kilmore area of County Armagh, that are in need of repair or restoration and re-use for their protection and preservation, with the intention of securing a sustainable future for the structures for the public benefit and in furtherance of the objects of the Charity.

KOT works with statutory agencies and the community to identify opportunities for preservation, it draws down grant aid to develop plans, renovate and restore buildings and finds new uses to make them sustainable. KOT promotes and encourages the education of the public in our heritage by engaging in research and drawing down funds to recruit volunteers and to train and educate the community about the significance of the local

heritage and history. This may include provision of sustainable income from rental of portions of the premises and community facilities to sustain the premises and in the furtherance of the charity's objects.

Review of financial position and activities of the Trust

Financial performance in the year to 31st May 2025 was consistent with expectation. Bank balances at the end of year were £885 (2024 - £10,650; 2023 - £891) the majority funding obtained during the year was thanks to two grant instalments from the Architectural Heritage Fund for project development work on our Kilmore Cottage project.

All of the Trust's purposes are for public benefit and in pursuit of these, during the year, the Trust provided public benefit by carrying out the following activities:

a) Project work:

KOT was active during the year, with projects in progress and in planning. Our main focus was on progressing plans for restoring the derelict Kilmore Cottage (a thatch-under-tin listed building at risk dated to pre-1707). Architectural drawings were developed to scope the works required to refurbish and develop the cottage and the surrounding site. In preparation for a planning application several surveys were conducted. The asbestos safety survey provided information on the extent of asbestos within the building and how it will need to be dealt with during any activity on site. The bat survey identified that, although there was evidence of bats in the cottage area, there was no bat roost on site. A more general survey of aquatic and terrestrial flora and fauna found nothing of note.

KOT received further financial support (£3,108) from the Architectural Heritage Fund to support the development and survey work

During this year continued efforts to secure the required lease of the Kilmore Cottage from the Church of Ireland Diocesan Trustees in Armagh. Although general assurances continue to be given by the Diocesan Trustees that there was no objection to a lease to KOT unfortunately, by the end of the reporting period no lease had yet been formally agreed despite KOT's best efforts. The delay in obtaining a lease with conditions which are appropriate to the requirements of potential funders and KOT is delaying the project to restore the Kilmore cottage which is in a perilous state due to lack of maintenance over many years. KOT is working closely with Walker McDonald Solicitors in Portadown for assistance in progressing the lease issue and for whose help during the year we are grateful. KOT continues to be hopeful that a lease can soon be agreed to meet KOT and potential funder's needs to enable the project to further progress. The KOT's efforts during the year also attracted some positive media interest in local newspapers and good feedback from the local community.

During the year KOT also began to consider further possible future built heritage conservation projects in the wider Kilmore area as well as the possibility for further heritage skills sharing events.

b) Community engagement, education and outreach activities:

The survey of the graveyard at St Aidan's, Kilmore, that began last year in partnership with Queen's University Belfast's Community Archaeology Programme Northern Ireland (CAPNI) was concluded during the reporting period. More than 600 headstones were surveyed,

photographed and logged with GIS coordinates. Members of the local community found the work very interesting and although the weather proved challenging during some of the work, they were dedicated to the task. We look forward to accessing this information through an online searchable resource.

To disseminate the findings more broadly, Ballyhegan and Kilmore Community Heritage Association organised a presentation by Ruairí Ó Baoill of Queen's University Belfast. This event was designed to inform association members about the graveyard survey, thereby highlighting the significant heritage of the village and its environs.

KOT would also like to thank the Select Vestry of Kilmore Parish Church for permission to hold the event in the graveyard and for use of the church hall free of charge.

c) Other activities:

KOT members attained a series of events facilitated by Village Catalyst. This provided opportunities to meet with other groups and individuals who are also working on projects to restore heritage buildings and spaces for community use. As well as hearing from specialist advisers on how to manage processes and address challenges, networking with others proved invaluable and we look forward to further similar events.

A Murder Mystery fundraising event in Kilmore proved very popular, bringing local people together and further sharing the aims of the project. A donation of £400 to KOT was made as a result.

Potential harm and restrictions on public benefit

No harm arises from any of the Trust's purposes and no restrictions were applied to public benefit.

Private benefit to unintended beneficiaries

In most of the Trust's projects, there are no private benefits. Where the structure to be conserved is in private ownership the only potential but inescapable benefit is the improvement in the physical state of the structure.

Statement of compliance

The trustees of KOT, during the year, complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance provided by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

Acknowledgements and thanks

Project work is financed by donations and grants, with, in addition, practical work undertaken by volunteers for which we remain grateful. In addition to the thanks outlined above, we would also like to record our thanks to the Architectural Heritage Fund for their continuing support and guidance, as well as Chris McCollum, Conservation Surveyor for his work on

plans and to Walker McDonald Solicitors, Portadown, for their help during the year in relation to the Kilmore Cottage lease. Special thanks to the CAPNI team and local community members from the rural area for their support, which makes our voluntary trustee work rewarding.

Trustees' responsibilities

The trustees (who are also directors of Kilmore Oneilland BPT Ltd for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies' exemption.

This report was approved by the board of trustees on 23 Feb 2026 and signed on behalf of the board by the chair, Averil Morrow:

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

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