

Flemington Hallside Parish Church of Scotland

Scotland · Charity number SC006638

Details

Status	Active
Legal form	Unincorporated association
Part of	The Church of Scotland (SC011353)
Registered	1916-04-15
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

Address 38 Lightburn Road
Cambuslang
Glasgow
G72 8UE

Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the advancement of religion'

What the charity does: Church Services and regular religious activities

Beneficiaries: 'Children or young people', 'Older People', 'No specific group, or for the benefit of the community'

Objectives: The advancement of religion.

Geography

- **Main operating location:** South Lanarkshire
- **Geographical spread:** Wider, but within one local authority area

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£71,596	£67,007	-	0
2023-12-31	£70,441	£57,403	-	1
2022-12-31	£51,830	£49,576	-	1
2021-12-31	£55,344	£59,165	-	1
2020-12-31	£91,941	£95,841	-	1

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Accounts

The Church of Scotland
FLEMINGTON-HALLSIDE PARISH CHURCH
OF SCOTLAND

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2024

Congregation No: 160847

Charity No: SC006638

Ref SC006638.2024.1

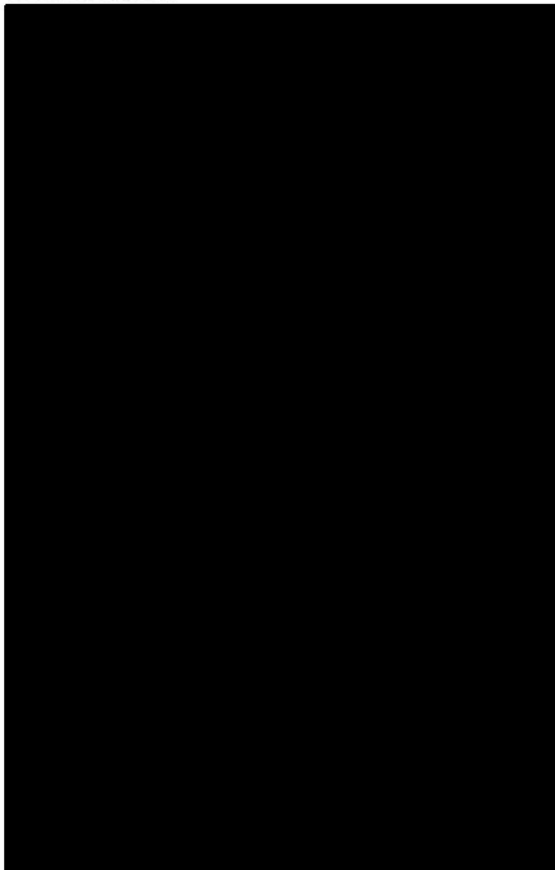
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Reference and Administrative Information

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Trustees

Kirk Session



Principal Office-bearers



Independent Examiner



Bankers

Royal Bank of Scotland,
88 Main Street
Rutherglen
G73 2JA

Trustees' Annual Report - Year ended 31 December 2024

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The Church is administered under the terms of the Unitary Constitution.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

Members of the Kirk Session are the charity trustees. The Kirk Session members are the elders of the church and are chosen from those members of the church who are considered to have the appropriate gifts and skills. The minister, who is a member of the Kirk Session, is elected by the congregation and inducted by Presbytery.

Organisational Structure

The Kirk Session, which in 2024, has met eight times, meets in person wherever possible and is responsible for the spiritual and temporal affairs within the church.

Objectives and Activities

The Church of Scotland is Trinitarian in doctrine, Reformed in tradition and Presbyterian in governance. It exists to glorify God and to work for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom throughout the world. As a national Church, it acknowledges a distinctive call to bring the ordinances of religion to the people in every parish of Scotland. It co-operates with other Churches in various ecumenical bodies in Scotland and beyond.

Flemington-Hallside Parish Church of Scotland holds weekly worship services at 11 a.m. on Sunday mornings. The Church also works with Churches of various denominations within Cambuslang. Within the Church there meets a number of Church organisations including a Sunday School, a Guild, a Boys' Brigade – sadly in this past year the Girls' Brigade stopped meeting after celebrating 100 years of service; in addition to the Church's premises being used for the Church's weekly prayer meeting and Community Cafe. The Church hall is also used by a Romanian Church twice a week, as well as a polling station when required, an out of school care group, and parent and toddler group.

The foundation of the Church's life continues to be weekly Sunday morning worship. Continued efforts are made to keep these services faithful, innovative and engaging. The Church children's ministry has continued to seek to meet the needs of the young people on Sunday mornings despite numbers reducing. The Church continues to be used for occasional funerals, weddings, baptisms and blessings.

Achievements and Performance

The overall statement of our circumstances through 2024 remains as it has been since 2022 – profound concern that the congregation has not numerically 'bounced back'. Attendance and income continue to be well below pre-pandemic levels. In the last year the atmosphere of gradual decline appears to have taken hold making any attempts to 'move forward' feel futile. On the basis that we are not going back to where we were in 2019, the present situation presents few signs of ways forward. The change needed to become the church that our parish requires is more than we can presently muster. A prayerful seeking after God's response to this situation should be an on-going prayer focus for us all.

A particular focus of concern for the leadership of the church has been the acrimony in the Kirk Session. In a sustained effort to address this on-going problem the Kirk Session contacted the organisation called 'Place for Hope' (PfH) to facilitate reconciliation within the elders/minister and plan a joint and unified way forward. This process was led by two facilitators over a series of meetings throughout 2024. Initially there was a series of meetings where all the elders were interviewed in groups of three by PfH; the minister was interviewed individually by PfH. Throughout the remainder of 2024 the whole leadership group met with PfH over several months to seek to resolve our issues. By November 2024 some elders raised concerns that PfH was not 'turning out' the way they had hoped and PfH themselves ultimately felt it was not productive to continue the process.

Positives do very much exist – The Guild continues to meet and be an active fellowship; 'Meat & 2 Veg' continues to feed the poor in our community during the on-going cost-of-living crisis in Christ's name; the schools work continues to be welcomed and enjoyed by the local children. The fact that we met our present annual 'Giving to Grow' financial commitments to '121' is testimony to the congregation's financial commitment to their Saviour and to their congregation. Moreover, ending this fiscal year with a surplus of £4,589 makes it clear we are 'cutting our cloth' within our means. The Sunday School, after-service tea and coffee, the Prayer Meeting, the monthly Flemington House Care Home resident's service along with the B.B. company all continue. Our fundamental objectives and achievements remain: ensure the gospel is preached; the sacraments offered; the funerals of loved ones and people in the parish alike, are carried out in a grace-filled manner and a fellowship continuing to pray of a growing congregation.

Throughout the year the Junior Church Sunday School work continued in the morning during the Sunday service despite numbers reducing. Messy Church had an Easter event where 70+ people attended with people being mostly non-church based. A two-day summer holiday club with 55+ children (with latest Scripture Union Holiday Club material) was also held in August. There are literally too many people to thank individually but I simply say a 'big thank you' to all who were involved in these events – that they took place indicates the commitment of those involved to make the gospel real in this community. One-offs and week by week events speak to the reality of people's faith and their wish to share it.

Financial Review

The principal source of income is weekly offerings which have decreased from £739 weekly to £711. We continue to encourage the use of standing orders, as a means of enabling regular giving, and also in a way which easily facilitates the claiming back of Gift Aid. The number of people giving their offering by standing order is 35.

The main source of fundraising is from the Christmas Fayre which raised a marvellous total of £2446 . Although this was down £194 from last year, it was still a good result. During the year we were very grateful to receive a legacy of £1,000. Hall rents brought in £7,300.

Total fabric expenditure for the year was low, totalling £3871. The main items being general repairs and maintenance at the manse of £950, Rentokil £1170 and Church gutters cleaned £600.

Our Community Café has remained open throughout the year, and although would benefit from a rise in customer numbers, is still supported by faithful regulars. The main purpose of the Café is to deepen relationships with the congregation and local community. The Café made a much welcome donation of £2,000 to the church in 2024. This figure is included in the donations total in Note 3.

Overall we had a surplus of £4589 for 2024. Fortunately we managed to pay the Ministries & Mission figure of £10,000 which was outstanding at the end of 2023 on top of our Giving to Grow payments so ended the year with no outstanding liabilities. Although this is good news, the coming year will be challenging as our offerings have decreased and the Giving to Grow figure we require to pay is £33,012.

The balance of the Youth fund as at 31 December 2024 was £14063.

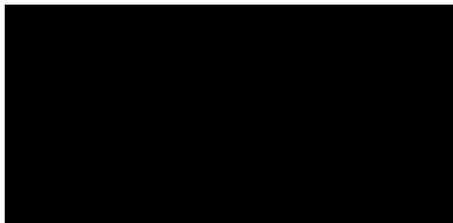
Reserves Policy

It is the Trustees' policy to hold reserves of approximately three to six months' expenditure including designated funds. At the year end the Church held unrestricted cash funds of £45367 in case of any unexpected fabric expenditure. Restricted funds of a combined balance of £16211 are also held for the purposes specified in note 2, page 11.

**Trustees' Annual Report (contd.)
Year ended 31 December 2024****Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

The members of the Kirk Session must prepare financial statements which give sufficient detail to enable an appreciation of the transactions of the Church during the financial year. The members of the Kirk Session are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which, on request, must reflect the financial position of the Church at that time. This must be done to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and the Regulations Anent Congregational Finance approved by the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in 2016. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Church and must take reasonable steps for the prevention and/or detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf,



Trustee

Date 4/3/25

Flemington-Hallside Parish Church
SC006638
Report of the Independent Examiner

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Flemington-Hallside Parish Church

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 9-13.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulation does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

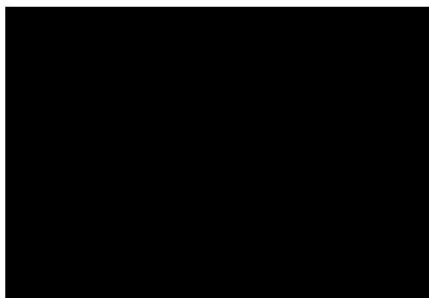
Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44 (1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations (as amended), and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations (as amended) have not been met.or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



**FLEMINGTON-HALLSIDE PARISH
CHURCH**

Receipts and Payments Account

Year ended 31 December 2024

	Note	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		Funds 2024	Funds 2024	2024	2023
<u>Receipts</u>		£	£	£	£
Donations	3	58428	1575	60003	59242
Legacies		1000	-	1000	2000
Activities for Generating Funds		2446	-	2446	3281
Bank & Deposit interest		723	124	847	538
Investment income		-	-	-	-
		<u>62597</u>	<u>1699</u>	<u>64296</u>	<u>65061</u>
Rental of premises (hall rents)		7300	-	7300	5380
Grants:- Presbytery		-	-	-	-
General Trustees		-	-	-	-
Amounts drawn from General Trustees		-	-	-	-
		<u>69897</u>	<u>1699</u>	<u>71596</u>	<u>70441</u>
<u>Total Receipts</u>					
<u>Payments</u>	4				
Costs of generating funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities		59809	7078	66887	57293
Governance costs		120	-	120	110
		<u>59929</u>	<u>7078</u>	<u>67007</u>	<u>57403</u>
<u>Total Payments</u>					
Excess of Receipts over Payments for the year before transfers		9968	-5379	4589	13038
Transfers		-	-	-	-
Excess of Receipts over Payments for the year		<u>9968</u>	<u>-5379</u>	<u>4589</u>	<u>13038</u>

**FLEMINGTON-HALLSIDE PARISH
CHURCH**

Statement of Balances

At 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
Note	£	£	£	£
<u>Bank & Deposit Balances</u>				
Bank & deposit balances brought forward	35399	21590	56989	43951
Movement in year:				
Excess of Receipts over Payments for the year	9968	-5379	4589	13038
Bank & deposit balances carried forward	45367	16211	61578	56989
<u>Assets</u>				
Gift Aid Receivable	10000	-	10000	15000
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Ministries & Mission	-	-	-	10000
	-	-	-	10000

The accounts were approved by the Kirk Session on March 4 2025

For and on behalf of the Kirk Session

Flemington-Hallside Parish Church

Notes to the Accounts

1 Trustee Remuneration and Related Party Transactions

During the year 1 trustee (the minister) received reimbursement of expenses incurred totalling £4946.
Council tax £2896 travelling expenses £1247, and telephone £803.

None of the trustees received any remuneration during the year.

During the year a contract was awarded to a relative of a trustee for cleaning the gutters at a cost of £600.

2 Movements in Funds

	At 1 Jan 2024 £	Receipts £	Payments £	At 31 Dec 2024 £
Unrestricted funds				
Designated Fabric Fund	452	6	-	458
Designated Sunday School Fund	583	-	197	386
General Fund	34364	69891	59732	44523
	<u>35399</u>	<u>69897</u>	<u>59929</u>	<u>45367</u>
Restricted funds				
Youth Worker Fund	13603	475	15	14063
Organ & Sound System Fund	7334	1214	7063	1485
Roof Fund	653	10	-	663
	<u>21590</u>	<u>1699</u>	<u>7078</u>	<u>16211</u>
Total funds	<u>56989</u>	<u>71596</u>	<u>67007</u>	<u>61578</u>

Purposes of Designated Funds

Fabric Fund: This fund has been set aside for the maintenance of the Church property

Sunday School Fund: This fund is set aside for use by the Sunday School.

Purposes of Restricted Funds

Youth Worker Fund: This fund is to assist with employment of a youth worker.

Organ & Sound System Fund: This is a fund to purchase an organ and assist with maintenance and also sound system maintenance.

Roof Fund: This fund is for roof repairs and plasterwork.

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
3. Analysis of Donations				
WFO Scheme (non Gift Aid)	8052	-	8052	7180
Gift Aid Donations	25861	-	25861	27336
Tax Recovered on Gift Aid Donations	17385	1370	18755	10751
Ordinary Offerings (Open Plate)	3090	-	3090	4650
Other Offerings, Donations etc	2655	100	2755	7895
Wedding & Funeral Donations	635	-	635	250
Contribs. from Cong. Orgs.	750	-	750	850
Youth Worker Project	-	105	105	330
Sunday School donations	-	-	-	-
	58428	1575	60003	59242
4. Analysis of Payments				
Costs of generating funds				
Offering envelopes	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities				
Ministries & Mission allocation	10000	-	10000	10000
Giving to Grow	25181	-	25181	25084
Presbytery dues	2264	-	2264	901
Minister's travelling & tel. expenses	2050	-	2050	1647
Pulpit supply	100	-	100	100
Organist supply	-	-	-	-
Youth Worker Project	-	15	15	1349
Fabric repairs & maintenance	3871	-	3871	5185
Wifi	904	-	904	711
Council Tax & insurance	5727	-	5727	5722
Heat and light	6860	-	6860	3472
Sound system	-	7063	7063	-
Cleaning	1300	-	1300	1095
Printing, stationery and resources	436	-	436	783
Other expenses	919	-	919	812
Sunday School	197	-	197	432
	59809	7078	66887	57293

5 Minister's Stipend

All Church of Scotland congregations contribute to the National Stipend Fund which bears the costs of all ministers' stipends and employer's contributions for national insurance, pension and housing and loan fund. Ministers' stipends are paid in accordance with the national stipend scale, which is related to years of service. For the year under review the minimum stipend was £31,642 and the maximum stipend (in the fifth and subsequent years) £38,884.

	2024	2023
	£	£
6. Collections for Third Parties		
Glasgow Street Pastors	80	-
Lodging House Mission	270	200
Christian Aid	445	500
DEC Turkey/Syria Earthquake Appeal	-	400
Scottish Poppy Fund	80	70
The Haven, Blantyre	60	-
Cambuslang & Rutherglen Reachout Trust (Holiday Club)	70	130
Cambuslang & Rutherglen Reachout Trust	120	80
Meat 'n' 2 veg	-	60
Mary's Meals	65	100
Kilbryde Hospice	-	70
Love Oliver	-	100
Tearfund	-	60
Motor Neurone Disease	70	-
CrossReach	115	-
Hamilton Churches Drop In Centre	80	-
	<u>1455</u>	<u>1770</u>