



Derry Masonic Fund

NIC101294

Financial Statements and Trustees' Report

For the year ended

31st December 2023

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Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Derry Masonic Fund

We report on the accounts of the Derry Masonic Fund for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages 5 to 6.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

We have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and our 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.

Our 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.

Our role is to state whether any material matters have come to our attention giving us cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Derry Masonic Fund (cont'd)

Independent examiner's statement

We have completed our 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, we have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.


Allen Wallace

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Letterkenny
Co Donegal

Date: 4-3-24



David Bratton

12 Castle Park
Eglinton
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Date: 26/2/24

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Trustees' Report

For the year ended 31st December 2023

Trustees: Mr Arthur Graham
 Mr John Manning
 Mr William Manning
 Mr Sam McLorn
 Mr Alistair Sterritt

Charity Number: NIC101294

Address: Freemasons' Hall
 25 Bishop Street
 Londonderry
 BT48 6PR

Derry Masonic Fund is governed by a constitution dated 9th March 2011, accepted as a charity by HM Revenue & Customs under reference number XN45709 and registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland on 13th January 2015 under charity number NIC101294.

The charity's purposes are detailed within the constitution and can be summaries as;

1. To afford assistance to deserving, necessitous Freemasons, or their wives, partners and families and widows, partners and families of deceased Brethern.
2. To afford assistance to other duly constituted Masonic Charities.
3. To make donations to Non-Masonic Charities.

The Trustees have had regard to the Public benefit guidance issued by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland.

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Trustees' Report

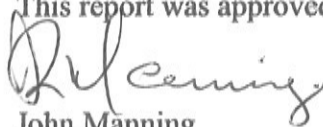
For the year ended 31st December 2023 (cont'd)

During the year ended 31st December 2023 the charity has conducted the following activities in furtherance of its activities for the public benefit;

1. Awarded seventy eight small grants to deserving widows of deceased brethren. These grants have been used by the individual recipients to mitigate, all be it in a small way, additional living costs incurred around Christmas.
2. Extended two grants of assistance on the grounds of ill health or disability to brethren and the families of brethren to assist with the provision of suitable equipment and adaption of accommodation, or the additional living costs associated with their disability.
3. Extended one grant of assistance on the grounds of economic hardship to brethren and the families of brethren whose change in circumstances had resulted in a reduction in income or one-off unexpected expense.

The results of the charity's activities during the year and of its position at the year end are included in the Receipts and payments account on page 5 and the Statement of assets and liabilities on page 6. The trustees are thankful for the support of the brethren forming the membership of the charity and their guests, through their continued generous donations which are used to further the charity's purposes, which have been detailed above.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 20th March 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



John Manning
Trustee

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Receipts and payments account

for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<u>Receipts</u>			
Voluntary Receipts			
Donations	17,412	17,412	7,400
Interest received	2,994	2,994	1,795
From Charitable Activities			
Membership subscriptions	335	335	310
Total receipts	20,741	20,741	9,505
<u>Payments</u>			
Cost of Charitable Activities			
Grants and donations	14,510	14,510	14,450
Governance costs			
- Insurance	140	140	138
- Bank fees	94	94	48
Total payments	14,744	14,744	14,636
Net (payments)/receipts	5,997	5,997	(5,131)
Transfers between funds	-	-	-
(Deficit)/surplus for the year	5,997	5,997	(5,131)

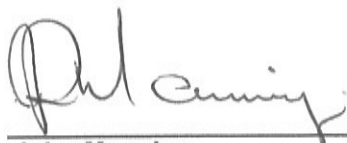
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Statement of assets and liabilities

for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£
Funds reconciliation			
Accumulated fund at 31.12.22	165,072	165,072	170,203
(Deficit)/surplus for the year	5,997	5,997	(5,131)
Accumulated fund at 31.12.23	<u>171,069</u>	<u>171,069</u>	<u>165,072</u>
 Bank & cash balances			
National Savings & Investments: Income Bonds	1,000	1,000	1,000
Progressive Building Society Bond / Deposit Account	85,000	85,000	85,000
Redwood Bank Notice account	60,000	60,000	70,000
Danske Bank Current account	25,069	25,069	9,072
	<u>171,069</u>	<u>171,069</u>	<u>165,072</u>

Approved by the Trustees on 20th March 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



John Manning
Chair of Trustees