

Bob Harte Memorial Trust

Company Limited by Guarantee

Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year ended 31 March 2023

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	Bob Harte Memorial Trust
Charity registration number	101455
Company registration number	NI054244
Principal office and registered office	18 Georges Street Londonderry BT48 6RP

The trustees

Mr G Hepburn
Mr D Moore
Mr K Thompson
MA Temple

Independent examiner	Keith McElhinney & Co. 42A Clooney Terrace Waterside Londonderry BT47 6AP
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Structure, governance and management

The charity is a company limited by guarantee, which was incorporated on 10th March 2005. The company is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association, which were signed on 21st February 2005 on behalf of the first members of the charity. The charity is managed by the trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law. They meet throughout the year in order to manage the activities of the charity. They are elected by members at the Annual General Meeting.

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Objectives and activities

The Charity's objects are:-

a) The advancement of education, learning and knowledge by:

i) The establishment, maintenance and improvement of a Community Hall and heritage Centre in the Fountain district of Londonderry for the public exhibition, display and interpretation of documents, books, photographs, maps, artefacts and other items relating to the social, cultural, religious, political and economic history of the unionist community of the Fountain and of the City of Londonderry (the "area of benefit") and thereby to promote interest in the past, present and future of that community;

ii) Organising, promoting and presenting educational, artistic and cultural activities, including festivals, performances of music, drama, dance and poetry, film shows and walking tours of the City;

iii) Carrying out research into the social, cultural, religious, political and economic history, with particular reference to the twentieth century, and current situation of the Unionist community of the Fountain and of the City;

b) Promote the value of cultural activity and motivate people at local level to protect and conserve their cultural heritage;

c) Provide leisure and recreational facilities for the benefit and enjoyment of the public and in the interests of social welfare;

d) Promote good community relations, including the facilitation of peace building initiatives, between the Fountain and neighbouring communities.

The charity have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Strategic report

The following sections for achievements and performance and financial review form the strategic report of the charity.

Achievements and performance

The charity continued to suffer from the effects of the covid pandemic. The Trustees are grateful for the support offered by the Ulster-Scots Agency, which enabled us to carry out repairs and maintenance; enhancing the visitor experience. The trustees welcome the reopening of the centre to the public and the delivery, again, of workshops and events. The trustees are hopeful of increased activity in the coming year.

Financial review

The charity made a surplus for the year of £742 (2022: deficit £57) and at 31 March 2023 had net assets of £1,000 (2022: £258)

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The trustees' annual report and the strategic report were approved on 10 December 2023 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



Mr K Thompson
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Bob Harte Memorial Trust

Year ended 31 March 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Bob Harte Memorial Trust ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 (the '2008 Act') and the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act'). You are satisfied that the accounts of the company are not required by charity or company law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements as carried out under section 65 of the 2008 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the 2008 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with my examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Keith McElhinney & Co.
Independent Examiner

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10 December 2023
