

## **Trustees Report for the year ended 30 September 2020**

Glenkeen Fife and Drum Band

Band Practice commences in October each year, meeting on a Monday night. Membership numbers remain consistent.

The Band meets in Glenkeen Orange Hall for band practice and in the past, we have held at least one charity event throughout the year. The Lodge does not charge us for the Hall, but we are committed to providing financial assistance in the event of the Hall needing capital repair.

Our Trustees are volunteers, who give their time freely, and without charge, to ensure that Glenkeen Fife & Drum Band continues into the next generation of young people.

Due to the constraints imposed under Covid-19 Legislation, there has been very little activity within the Band during the past 12 months. Monthly meetings were postponed during period of lockdown, but Committee Members have managed to meet when it was considered safe, adhering to the two metre distancing rules, and conduct meetings via online platforms. An amount of £85 has been identified as due for lodging as at the year end. This amount was not banked due to treasurer having to shield.

### **Membership**

Total membership fees were received during the year - £85. Most of the membership money is paid during July and August. Since the Band has not met since March 2020, the decision has been taken by the Trustees not to chase up membership fees.

### **Grants**

During the accounting period 30 September 2019, the band was in receipt of a grant to address the disability access to the Hall. This work was completed during the year to 30 September 2020 and £10,000 was paid out to Dooney for the work done. In addition to the work carried out on the building, the electrics had to be upgraded due to the new work, which cost the Band £1609.40

We also applied for a grant for 50 new chairs within the hall from DEFRA. The Band was to pay 25% of the cost and the grant would cover the remaining 75% of the cost.

### **Payments**

Due to Covid 19 – we undertook to supply food parcels to those in our community worst hit by the lockdown. We paid £100 for this.

All other expenses paid are for the benefit for the Band and managed to purchase new equipment costing £1200.

Accounts for the year show total income for the year being £4351.60 and expenditure of £5195 (excluding the £10,000 in relation to last years grant). That is a loss during the year of £843.40. At the end of the year, the Band has £10207.99.

It is the intention of the Trustees, that the monies held will be used to purchase new equipment. And the Trustees will continue to source possible funding opportunities.

Trustees are aware of their responsibilities for adhering to guidance/legislation which has been provided by the NI Executive. There continues to be no activity within the Band, and members will be notified to any changes, when it deemed safe to recommence band practice.

This report has been prepared to the best of our knowledge:

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Date: 26/10/2020

