

**PAPER TRAIL (LEGACY ARCHIVE RESEARCH)
COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR

ENDED 30TH NOVEMBER, 2024

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DIRECTORS & OTHER INFORMATION

Status

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 5th November, 2014 and recognised as a charity with the Northern Ireland Charity Commission. The governing documents are the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the company. As a registered charity the company is exempt from corporation tax and is not required to file tax returns with H M Revenue & Customs.

Directors

Sinead Murphy
Sinead O'Neill-Nicholl
Stuart Andrew Magee
Lesley Veronica
Niall Pdraig O'Murchu
Gerard McWilliams

Secretary

Ciaran McAirt

Registered Office

Ashton Centre,
5 Churchill Street
Belfast,
Co. Antrim
BT15 2BP

Reporting Accountants

Gollogly & Co.
79 South Parade
Belfast
BT7 2GN

Bankers

Bank Of Ireland
Antrim Road
Glengormley
BT36 7QN

Company No

NI627631

Registered (NI) Charity No:

NIC102483

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

The directors present the annual report and the financial statements of the company for the year ended 30th November, 2024.

1. Statement Of Directors' Responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the balance sheet date and of the profit or loss for the year then ended. In preparing the financial statements the directors are required to:

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- (b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- (c) state whether applicable accounting policies have been followed
- (d) prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless that basis is inappropriate

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the 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 company and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

2. Principal Activities And Review Of The Business

The principal activities of the business during the period consisted of legacy archive research.

Paper Trail has been created specifically to help ordinary families access official information buried in archives for decades. Together, the information we find will benefit them and future generations, for history informs us all. Paper Trail offers highly specialised and targeted legacy archive research for the following purposes:

The advancement of health or the saving of lives.

The advancement of human rights, conflict resolution or reconciliation or the promotion of religious or racial harmony or equality and diversity

3. Income And Surplus

Income	£ 55,022
Surplus For Year	5,348

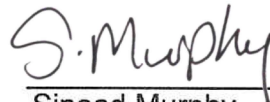
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4. Directors

The directors who served during the year were as follows:

Sinead Murphy
Sinead O'Neill-Nicholl
Stuart Andrew Magee
Lesley Veronica
Niall Pdraig O'Murchu
Gerard McWilliams

By Order of The Board:



Sinead Murphy
Director

29th August, 2025

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE CHARITY TRUSTEES OF
PAPER TRAIL (LEGACY ARCHIVE RESEARCH)**

We have reviewed the financial statements of the company for the year ended 30th November, 2024 set out on pages 5 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of director and independent examiner:

As described on page 3 the company directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which comply with The Companies Act 2006 and The Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. The charity is not subject to an audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination.

It is our responsibility to:

- (i) examine the financial statements under section 65 of The Charities Act.
- (ii) follow the procedures laid down in general directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.
- (iii) state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiners report:

We have examined the attached charity accounts as required under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act and our examination was carried out under the general directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. The examination 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 financial statements.

Our role is to state whether any unusual matters came to our attention giving us concern accounting records were not kept which comply with the Companies Act, 2006 and with The Charities Act S(63);

The financial statements are not in accordance with the accounting records; the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of S396 of the Companies Act, 2006 and with methods and principles of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the U K and Ireland;

- (iv) that there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the financial statements.

Independent examiner's statement

We have completed our examination of the attached financial statements of Paper Trail (Legacy Archive Research) and have no concerns in respect of the matters itemised at (i) to (iv) above and in connection with following the Directions of The Charity

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE CHARITY TRUSTEES OF
PAPER TRAIL (LEGACY ARCHIVE RESEARCH)**

Commission for Northern Ireland, we have found no matters which require to be drawn to your attention.



Gollogly & Co.
79 South Parade
Belfast
BT7 2GN

29th August, 2025

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

		2024	2023
	Note	£	£
Income	1	55,022	50,890
Operating Expenses		49,674	48,959
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Surplus For The Year	2	5,348	1,931
Reserves Brought Forward		2,198	267
Reserves Carried Forward		<hr/> 7,546 <hr/>	<hr/> 2,198 <hr/>

The funds are unrestricted.

BALANCE SHEET

<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>	2024	2023
	£	£
Sundry Debtors	558	558
Cash At Bank	7,339	1,991
	<u>7,897</u>	<u>2,549</u>
<u>CREDITORS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR</u>		
Sundry Creditors	350	350
	<u>7,547</u>	<u>2,199</u>
<u>CAPITAL EMPLOYED</u>		
	<u>7,547</u>	<u>2,199</u>
<u>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</u>		
	£	£
Called Up Share Capital	1	1
Revenue Reserves	7,546	2,198
	<u>7,547</u>	<u>2,199</u>

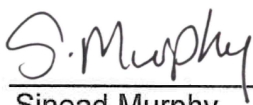
Approved By The Board Of Directors:

For the year ended 30th November, 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of The Companies Act, 2006, relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with FRS 102.



Sinead Murphy

Director

29th August, 2025

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Income

Income represents the net amounts receivable during the year by the company in respect of grants received.

2. Charitable Status

The company is a registered charity limited by guarantee.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

	2024	2023
	£	£
INCOME		
Grants Received	55,022	50,890
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OPERATING EXPENSES		
Staff Travel Expenses	3,429	3,765
Marketing	590	476
Directors Fees	32,582	36,384
Stationery & Printing	1,684	1,499
Computer & Internet	3,366	77
Trade Subscriptions	149	216
General Expenses	266	529
Research	2,212	818
Pension Contributions	5,057	5,126
Bank Charges	339	69
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General Expenses	-	213
Marketing	-	476
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