

**Company Registration Number NI051720  
Charity Registration Number NIC103252**

**County Fermanagh Farming Society Limited  
(Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee)**

**Annual Report & Unaudited Financial Statements**

**For the Year Ended 31 December 2024**

**County Fermanagh Farming Society Limited  
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**Company Information**

**Board of directors**

Ruth L Armstrong (appointed 6 Feb 2025)  
T O Marcus Barton (appointed 6 Feb 2025)  
Harry Boles (appointed 6 Feb 2025)  
W Brian Donaldson (appointed 6 Feb 2025)  
John James Gunn (resigned 6 Feb 2025)  
Lord Anthony Hamilton  
E Marion Henderson (resigned 6 Feb 2025)  
J Adrian T Irvine  
J Albert G Knox (appointed 6 Feb 2025)  
Alan J Morrison (appointed 6 Feb 2025)  
Edward K Rogers

**Company secretary**

Ann Orr

**Registered office**

Exhibition and Auction Centre  
Old Tempo Road  
Enniskillen  
Co. Fermanagh  
BT74 4BA

**Company number**

NI051720

**Charity number**

NIC103252

**Independent Examiners**

Cooper Parry Audit (Ireland) Limited  
Chartered Accountants  
36-38 Northland Row  
Dungannon  
Co Tyrone  
BT71 6AP

**Bankers**

Ulster Bank  
16 Darling Street  
Enniskillen  
Co. Fermanagh  
BT74 7ER

# **County Fermanagh Farming Society Limited (Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee)**

## **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 December 2024**

The Directors, who are the trustees for the purpose of charity law, have pleasure in presenting their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

### **Reference and Administration Details**

The reference and administration details of the charity are as shown on page 2.

### **Objectives and Activities**

The objects of the charitable company shall be to:

- i) advance, promote and improve agriculture in all its branches and in allied home industries, in particular by the holding of an annual show or shows, exhibitions and demonstrations of equipment and techniques;
- ii) promote the benefits of the inhabitants in Fermanagh and its environs (the area of benefit) through the advancement of education, in particular by promoting a knowledge and understanding of rural affairs, rural development and environmental issues and an interest in the agricultural industry in general, and the provision of facilities in the interest of social welfare for recreation and other leisure time occupations with the object of improving the conditions of life of the said inhabitants; and
- iii) advance and encourage the protection and safeguarding of the environment.

### **Public Benefit Statement**

The directors of County Fermanagh Farming Society Limited confirm that they have complied with their duty under section 4(6) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 to have regard to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit and that the public benefit requirement has informed the activities of the charitable company in the year ended 31 December 2024.

### **Achievements and Performance**

The annual Fermanagh County Show did not take place during 2024 or 2025 due to logistical problems obtaining a suitable site. The annual show is the charity's main source of income and the directors are reviewing the situation to secure a site for future county shows.

The directors are confident that the charity continues to meet its performance objectives to benefit the local community. During 2024 and 2025, an exhibition of children's work and crafts was held in the CAFRE College Enniskillen, and the judging of cattle and sheep took place on the competitors' premises.

### **Financial review**

#### **Financial Performance**

During the year ended 31 December 2024, the charity had net outgoing resources of £20,017 (2023: net outgoing resources £5,680).

#### **Reserves Policy**

As a charity, the company is heavily dependent on the income generated by the Fermanagh County Show. The board considers it necessary to maintain at least £90,000 of reserves to enable the company to continue to operate should there be any unexpected fall in incoming resources.

# **County Fermanagh Farming Society Limited (Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee)**

## **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 December 2024 (continued)**

### **Risk management**

The directors have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the charity faces and they confirm that systems have been established to enable regular reports to be produced so that the necessary steps can be taken to manage these risks.

### **Structure, Governance and Management.**

#### ***Organisational Structure***

The charitable company is a company limited by guarantee, not having a share capital.

The charitable company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the company and is governed under its Articles of Association.

In accordance with the Articles of Association, the members to retire by rotation shall be those who have been longest in office since their last election, and the relevant motion will be put at the Annual General Meeting. A retiring member shall be eligible for re-election.

#### ***Directors***

The directors who have served during the year are the same as those listed on page 2

#### **Taxation Status**

The company is recognised as a charity by HM Revenue & Customs. Accordingly, the company has availed of the exemptions contained in Chapter 3 Part II Corporation Taxes Act 2010 and Section 256 Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992.

#### **Directors' responsibilities**

The directors are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year. In preparing these financial statements the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

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**Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2024  
(continued)**

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable 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 charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Small Companies Exemption**

The above report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the board and signed on its behalf by:



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**Ann Orr  
Secretary**

**Date:** 15-9-2025

## **County Fermanagh Farming Society Limited (Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee)**

### **Independent Examiner's Report to the members on the unaudited financial statements of County Fermanagh Farming Society Limited for the year ended 31 December 2024**

We report on the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 8 to 17.

#### **Respective Responsibilities of Directors and Independent Examiner**

As the charitable company's directors, who are the trustees for the purpose of charity law, you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. Having satisfied ourselves that the charitable company is not subject to audit under company law, and is eligible for independent examination, it is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008; and
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

#### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

We have examined your charitable company's financial statements as required under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 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 (Northern Ireland) 2008. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charitable company and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as charitable company Directors concerning any such matters.

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

- That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records; or
- That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland; or
- That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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**Independent Examiner's Report to the members on the unaudited  
financial statements of County Fermanagh Farming Society  
Limited for the year ended 31 December 2024 (Continued)**

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

We have completed our examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters 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.



**Cooper Parry Audit (Ireland) Limited**

Chartered Accountants  
36-38 Northland Row  
Dungannon  
Co. Tyrone  
BT71 6AP

**Date:** 11/09/2025

**County Fermanagh Farming Society Limited  
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**Statement of Financial Activities  
(including an Income and Expenditure Account)  
For the year ended 31 December 2024**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>					
Charitable activities	3	10,188	-	10,188	90,207
<b>Total</b>		<u>10,188</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,188</u>	<u>90,207</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Charitable Activities	4	(29,903)	(600)	(30,503)	(95,805)
		(19,715)	(600)	(20,315)	(5,598)
Interest payable and similar charges		(162)	-	(162)	(461)
Interest receivable and similar income		460	-	460	379
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<u>(19,417)</u>	<u>(600)</u>	<u>(20,017)</u>	<u>(5,680)</u>
Transfer between funds				-	-
Total funds brought forward at 1 January		238,272	28,200	266,472	272,152
<b>Total funds carried forward at 31 December</b>		<u>218,855</u>	<u>27,600</u>	<u>246,455</u>	<u>266,472</u>

The above Statement of Financial Activities includes all information as required to be disclosed by the Companies Act 2006.

All of the activities of the company are classed as continuing.

There is no difference between the net incoming resources for the year stated above and their historical cost equivalents.

The notes on pages 11 to 17 form part of the financial statements.

**County Fermanagh Farming Society Limited  
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**Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet)  
As at 31 December 2024**

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>			
Property, Plant and equipment	9	183,182	184,143
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Receivables	10	6,000	-
Cash at bank on deposit	11	32,178	31,718
Cash at bank and in hand		28,950	53,703
		<u>67,128</u>	<u>85,421</u>
<b>Payables: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	<b>12</b>	<u>(3,855)</u>	<u>(3,092)</u>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<u>63,273</u>	<u>82,329</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		246,455	266,472
<b>Provisions for liabilities</b>		-	-
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>13</b>	<u>246,455</u>	<u>266,472</u>
<b>Represented by:</b>			
	<b>14</b>		
Unrestricted Funds		218,855	238,272
Restricted Funds		27,600	28,200
		<u>246,455</u>	<u>266,472</u>

The directors' statements on the following page forms part of the Statement of Financial Position.

The notes on pages 11 – 17 form part of the financial statements.

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**Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2024  
(continued)**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

For the financial year ended 31 December 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors confirm that the members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with Section 386; and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of the financial year and of its incoming or outgoing resources for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The notes on pages 11 to 17 form an integral part of the financial statements.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors and signed on their behalf by:

  
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**Lord Anthony Hamilton**  
Director

  
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**J Adrian T Irvine**  
Director

**Date:** 15-09-2025

Company Registration Number: NI051720  
Charity Registration Number: NIC103252

# **County Fermanagh Farming Society Limited (Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee)**

## **Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 31 December 2024**

### **1. General Information**

County Fermanagh Farming Society Limited is a charitable company limited by guarantee incorporated in Northern Ireland. In the event of the charitable company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the charitable company. The address of the registered office is as shown on page 2.

The charitable company constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

### **2. Accounting policies**

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements.

#### **2.1 Statement of Compliance**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2023 (Second Edition), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

#### **2.2 Basis of Preparation**

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy. Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

#### **2.3 Cash Flow Statement**

The charitable company has applied Update Bulletin 2 as published on 5 October 2018 (effective 1 January 2023) and does not include a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is applying FRS 102 Section 1A.

#### **2.4 Income and Endowments**

##### **(i) Donations, Legacies and Other Trading Activities**

Donation and legacy income including incoming resources from gifts, donations and grants is recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Other trading activities are commercial activities which are recognised as earned when the related goods and services are provided.

# **County Fermanagh Farming Society Limited (Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee)**

## **Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 31 December 2024 (continued)**

### **(ii) Income from Charitable Activities**

Income from charitable activities includes income received under contract or where entitlement to grant funding is subject to specific performance conditions. It is recognised as earned as the related services or goods are provided. Grant income included in this category provides funding to support projects and is recognised where there is entitlement, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

### **2.5 Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred. Contractual arrangements and performance related grants are recognised as goods and services are supplied. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to a particular heading they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of resources. Staff costs and overhead expenses are allocated to activities on the basis of staff time spent on those activities.

### **(i) Charitable Activities**

This comprises all the resources applied by the charitable company in undertaking its work to meet its charitable objectives. Charitable activities will include the costs of governance arrangements which relate to the general running of the charitable company.

### **2.6 Property, Plant and Equipment and Depreciation**

Property, plant and equipment are initially recorded at cost.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the original cost less the estimated residual value of fixed assets over their expected useful lives.

Freehold Showground	- No depreciation
Showground Development	- 2% Straight Line
Fixtures & Equipment	- 10% Reducing Balance

### **2.7 Fund accounting**

The charity had two types of funds for which it is responsible at the year end:

#### **(i) Unrestricted funds**

These are funds which are expendable at the discretion of the directors in furtherance of the objects of the charity. In additions, funds may be held in order to finance capital investment and working capital.

#### **(ii) Restricted funds**

Income received for specific purposes. Such purposes are within the overall aims of the charity.

### **2.8 Taxation**

The company has charitable status and is therefore not liable to Corporation Tax.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements  
For the Year Ended 31 December 2024 (continued)**

**2.9 Trade and other payables**

Trade and other payables are initially recognised at fair value and thereafter stated at cost.

**2.10 Critical accounting estimates and judgements**

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying value of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised were the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods were the revision affects both current and future periods.

*Critical judgements in applying the entity's accounting policies*

There are no critical judgements in applying the company's accounting policies.

*Critical accounting estimates and assumptions*

There are no accounting estimates in applying the company's accounting policies.

**2.11 Cash & Cash Equivalents**

Cash is represented by cash in hand and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on notice of not more than 24 hours. Cash equivalents are highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with insignificant risk of change in value.

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**3. Income and Endowments**

<b>Charitable activities</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds 2024 £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>
Subscriptions and donations	5,070	-	5,070	240
Entry fees	462	-	462	1,117
Admission charges	647	-	647	45,235
Trade stands & advertising	-	-	-	19,315
Miscellaneous sponsorships	3,009	-	3,009	21,025
Vaughan Trust	500	-	500	2,775
Rent	500	-	500	500
<b>Total Income from Charitable Activities</b>	<b>10,188</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,188</b>	<b>90,207</b>

Income for the year ended 31 December 2023 comprised: unrestricted £90,207 and restricted £nil.

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**4 Resources Expended**

Charitable Activities	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	Funds	Funds		
	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Prizes	2,191	-	2,191	21,918
Office expenses	299	-	299	2,406
Advertising & promotional	206	-	206	11,164
Rent	3,333	-	3,333	5,050
Heat, light and power	77	-	77	350
Telephone & broadband	1,649	-	1,649	1,693
County Show staging costs	204	-	204	21,748
Security, health & safety	-	-	-	1,000
Trophies and engraving	120	-	120	2,317
Hospitality & entertainment	850	-	850	7,323
Secretarial & administration salaries	11,125	-	11,125	9,554
Accountancy	1,890	-	1,890	1,800
Insurance	2,388	-	2,388	1,921
Conference and affiliation fees	100	-	100	254
Miscellaneous expenses	171	-	171	1,203
Depreciation	5,300	600	5,900	6,104
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	<b>29,903</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>30,503</b>	<b>95,805</b>

Expenditure for the year ended 31 December 2023 comprised: unrestricted £95,205 and restricted £600.

**5. Net income / (expenditure) for the year**

Net income / (expenditure) is stated after charging:	2024	2023
	£	£
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	5,900	6,104
Independent examiner's remuneration	1,890	1,800
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**6. Independent Examiner's Remuneration**

The independent examiner's remuneration amounts to an independent examination fee of £1,890 (2023: £1,800) and other accountants' fees of £- (2023: £-).

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**Notes to the Financial Statements  
For the Year Ended 31 December 2024 (continued)**

**7. Directors Emoluments**

The directors received no emoluments during the period.

**8. Liability of members**

The organisation is a company incorporated under guarantee and does not have share capital. The liability of each member is limited to an amount not exceeding £1.

**9. Property, plant and equipment**

	<b>Freehold Showground £</b>	<b>Showground Development £</b>	<b>Fixtures &amp; Equipment £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2024	70,000	148,092	61,941	280,033
Additions	-	2,563	2,376	4,939
At 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2024	<u>70,000</u>	<u>150,655</u>	<u>64,317</u>	<u>284,972</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2024	-	62,227	33,663	95,890
Charge for year	-	2,967	2,933	5,900
At 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>65,194</u>	<u>36,596</u>	<u>101,790</u>
<b>Net Book Values</b>				
At 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2024	<u>70,000</u>	<u>85,461</u>	<u>27,721</u>	<u>183,182</u>
At 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2023	<u>70,000</u>	<u>85,865</u>	<u>28,278</u>	<u>184,143</u>

**10. Receivables**

	<b>2024 £</b>	<b>2023 £</b>
Accrued income – sponsorships and donations	6,000	-
	<u>6,000</u>	<u>-</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements  
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**11. Cash at bank on deposit**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Ulster Bank Limited Business Reserve	32,178	31,718
	<u>32,178</u>	<u>31,718</u>

**12. Payables: Amount falling due within one year**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Trade and other creditors	-	-
Accrued Expenditure	3,853	3,003
Credit card	2	89
	<u>3,855</u>	<u>3,092</u>

**13. Analysis of Net Assets**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds 2024 £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>
Tangible fixed assets	155,582	27,600	183,182	184,143
Current Assets	67,128	-	67,128	85,421
Current Liabilities	(3,855)	-	(3,855)	(3,092)
	<u>218,855</u>	<u>27,600</u>	<u>246,455</u>	<u>266,472</u>

**14. Analysis of funds**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds 2024 £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>
Opening as at 1 January	238,272	28,200	266,472	272,152
Surplus / (deficit) for the year	(19,417)	(600)	(20,017)	(5,680)
Transfer between funds	-	-	-	-
Closing as at 31 December	<u>218,855</u>	<u>27,600</u>	<u>246,455</u>	<u>266,472</u>

**15. Contingent Liabilities**

A contingent liability exists to repay grants received should certain conditions not be fulfilled by the company.