

KILCOO PARISH CHURCH, BRYANSFORD

REFERENES AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

CHARITY NAME: Bryansford, Newcastle/Castlewellan & Kilcoo/Kilcoo Parish Church/Down & Dromore/Church of Ireland

Charity Registration Number NIC 103480

Contact Address: The Rectory
 5 Cedar Heights
 Bryansford
 BT33 0PJ

Trustees:

Rev Pat Kerr, Mrs Lillian Harmon, Mrs Ann Cowan (20th Sept 2023) Mrs Eileen Parker, Mrs Glenda Parker, Mr Francis Parker, Mr Ian Parker, Miss Emma Parker, Mrs Jayne Parker, Miss Sandra Parker, Mrs June Patterson, Mrs Mabel Robinson, Mr RJ Parker.

Clergy	Rev Pat Kerr
Hon Secretary	Mrs Glenda Parker
Hon Treasurer	Mrs Lillian Harmon
Church Warden Clergy	Mr R J Parker
Church Warden People	Mrs Jayne Parker

Independent Examiner

Mr Desmond Bennett
38 Drumbuck Road
Castlewellan
BT31 9BS

Bankers

Danske Bank
Market St
Downpatrick

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FINANCES

The Trustees decided that the Christmas Day Plate Collection be donated to CMS. While Covid 19 restrictions were lifted some Parishioners were reluctant to return to public worship with the result that fewer charities were supported during the year.

While Kilcoo Parish Church share the same Rector with St Paul's Church, Castlewellan, Kilcoo is now responsible for one-half of Rector's & Rectory costs.

All invoices were paid in full when received.

At the end of the year (31 December 2023) the balance on our accounts were:

Current Account	£35,136.48
Deposit Account	£946.72

The security and safeguarding of all monies is important to the Trustees and all money is counted and lodged at the local Post Office for transmission to Danske Bank.

Transactions with the Trustees

Date	Trustee	Amount	Reimbursement of Expenses
26.3.23	Mrs Jayne Parker	£100.00	Mountain Race
15.10.23	Miss Emma Parker	£195.00	Sunday School Trip Expenses
17.12.23	Mrs Jayne Parker	£109.74	Catering for Tractor Run

No Trustee or a person related to a trustee had any personal interest in any contracts or transactions entered into by the charity during the year.

MANAGEMENT

The finances are managed by the Treasurer who reports back to the Trustees on a quarterly basis and in between as necessary. Vestry members are elected each year at the Easter Vestry.

PURPOSE

The principal function of the Parish is to support the advancement of the Christian religion by promoting through the work of the Parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, social and ecumenical.

All functions of the Parish relate to the advancement of religion through holding regular worship and communicating with and caring for parishioners of all ages especially the sick and elderly and others in our community.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Charity Trustees have complied with their duties in line with the Commission's Public Benefit statutory guidance.

Regular worship and reaching out into the community as well as other activities both social and fundraising have been carried out through the year to fulfil our statement of Public Benefit.

Money has been raised for the Bishop's Appeal for the disadvantaged worldwide this year. Various activities are shared with other churches in our community throughout the year.

Children and young people are an important part of our church. We hold Sunday School within our church and the Trustees have a Child Protection Policy in place under the control of our Safeguarding Trust Committee.

Our Trustees ensure that the Church building is well maintained and meet the required safety standards.