

Clanabogan Parish Church

References and administrative details

Charity Name:

Clanabogan Parish Church

Charity Registration Number:

NIC104776

Registered Office:

Edenderry Rectory, 91 Crevenagh Road, Omagh, County Tyrone, BT79 0EZ

Trustees

The Charity Trustees who served during the year or who were trustees at the date of this report were:

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| Canon Robert Clarke | Mr George Edgar | Mr Samuel McKinley |
| Mr Stephen Beckett (resigned) | Mr Joe Edgar | Mrs Pearl Stafford (resigned) |
| Mr Fred Breen | Mr Eric Graham | Mr James Thompson |
| Mr Tommy Coulter | Mr Keith Hamilton | Mrs Christina Shields (resigned) |
| Mrs Hazel Breen (appointed) | Mrs Jennifer McGee | Mr Bob McGee (appointed) |
| Mr Alex Edgar | Mr Nigel McCormick | Mrs Mildred McKinley (appointed) |
| Mrs Jean Edgar (appointed) | | |

Principal Office-bearers

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| Clergy | Canon Robert Clarke |
| Church Treasurer: | Mrs Hazel Breen |
| Church Warden – Clergy: | Mr Nigel McCormick |
| Church Warden – People: | Mrs Jennifer McGee |

Independent Examiner

Kathryn Mitchell (for Watson & Colhoun)
Unit B15 Omagh Enterprise Centre, Great Northern Road, Omagh, County Tyrone, BT78 5LU

Bankers

Ulster Bank
14 High Street, Omagh, County Tyrone, BT78 1BJ

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Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Statements of Receipts and Payments and Assets and Liabilities for Clanabogan Parish Church for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Objectives and Activities

The charitable purpose of the Church of Ireland is the advancement of religion.

The principal function of Clanabogan Parish Church is to support the advancement of the Christian religion by promoting, through the work of the Parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. Being open to and engaging with society as a whole and offering support for those needing help are fundamental to the practical delivery of the benefits of Christianity.

As a result of activity in the pursuit of the advancement of the Christian religion, Clanabogan Parish Church has custody of property and of records, materials and artefacts of significance to the cultural and religious heritage and maintenance of which is undertaken by the Select Vestry of Clanabogan Parish Church.

Achievements, Performance and Public Benefits

Clanabogan Parish Church holds open church services each Sunday which remain popular with the community. Members of the congregation who are unable to attend church are visited by the clergy throughout the year.

The Parish has a wide range of organisations including Sunday School which is well attended by the children of the Parish, the Bowling Club, Mother's Union and Youth Fellowship. These organisations provide a social setting for people of all ages and interests. The Trustees would like to acknowledge their appreciation for those who give freely of their time to volunteer in these organisations.

A number of social events are held for the community and outside organisations can avail of the Parish facilities such as the Young Farmers' Club.

With the impact of the covid pandemic negligible in 2023, church life was able to return fully how it was pre pandemic. The Parish has the knowledge and experience to continue to provide a Christian service to all members of community no matter the given situation. This especially applies to members who remain wary and vulnerable to COVID-19 and other illnesses.

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Financial Review

The Parish is a charitable organisation with their main source of income deriving from members' freewill offerings. The results for the year show a deficit of £281 [2022: £2,464].

The Trustees continue to monitor the level of reserves held by the Parish and are actively taking steps to increase the reserves in order to meet any unforeseen expenditure incurred.

Going Concern

The Trustees have reviewed the budgets for the year ahead and are satisfied that there are adequate funds in place to ensure that the Parish can continue its activities and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 can be signed as a going concern.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document and Constitution of the Charity

Chapter III of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland governs Parishes and Parochial Organisations. The Select Vestry members are the Charity Trustees.

Recruitment and Appointment of Select Vestry (Trustees)

All members of the Church of Ireland who are over the age of 18 and are either resident within the Parish or live elsewhere but have been accustomed members of the congregation for at least three months, may register as members of the General Vestry of the Parish, allowing them to attend and vote at meetings of the General Vestry and to stand for election to the Select Vestry. Meetings of the General Vestry are held at least once a year. The Select Vestry is elected as part of the General Vestry meeting. The Select Vestry will hold their positions for a period of one year. Select Vestry members may be re-elected annually and there is no limit on the number of terms which may be served.

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Organisational Structure

The Select Vestry is responsible for the day-to-day management of the Parish. The Select Vestry consists of the clergy serving in the Parish, the church wardens, the glebe wardens and generally not more than twelve other members elected at the General Vestry.

The Select Vestry is chaired by the clergy. Select Vestry members are responsible for making decisions on matters of general concern and importance to the Parish including deciding how Parish funds are to be applied.

The Select Vestry meets at times fixed by the members. Special meetings may be convened at any time by the chairperson or the churchwardens. In 2023 the Select Vestry met 5 times during the year and the average attendance was 80%.

Compliance with Public Benefit

The Parish has paid careful consideration to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on Public Benefit to ensure that the activities entered into during the year have helped to achieve the Parish's objectives and activities, as well as providing Public Benefits.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

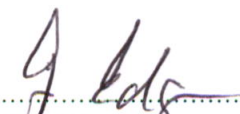
The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the Statement of Receipts and Payments and Statement of Assets and Liabilities in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland with income of less than £250,000 requires the Trustees to prepare a Statement of Receipts and Payments and a Statement of Assets and Liabilities for each financial year.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Parish's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the assets and liabilities of the Parish. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Parish and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Trustees on^{1st} April.....2024 and signed on its behalf by:


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Canon Robert Clarke


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Mr Joe Edgar

^{1st} April.....2024