

**Donacavey Church of Ireland**

**Trustees' Annual Report and Statement of Receipts and Payments and Assets and Liabilities**

**For the year ended 31 December 2023**

**Charities Number: 105368**

**Donacavey Church of Ireland**

**Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023**

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**Donacavey Church of Ireland**

**References and administrative details**

**For the year ended 31 December 2023**

Charity Name: Donacavey Church of Ireland

Charity Registration Number: 105368

Contact Address: 247 Tattyreagh Road  
Fintona  
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County Tyrone  
BT78 2DA

**Trustees**

Rev John Woods	Mr Stanley Purvis	Mr George Woods	Mr Ivan Woods
Mr John Booth	Mrs Charlotte McConnell	Mr Alan Nesbitt	Miss Ann Thompson
Mr Derek Telford	Mrs Florence Telford	Mr Brian Beattie	Mrs Geraldine Beattie
Mr James McConnell	Mr Richard Cathers	Mr Gareth Booth	Mrs Avril McConomy

**Principal Office-bearers**

Clergy: Reverend John Woods  
Church Secretary: Mrs Geraldine Beattie  
Church Treasurer: Mr John Booth  
Church Wardens - Mrs Florence Telford Mrs Avril McConomy  
Glebe Wardens – Mr Ivan Woods Mr Gareth Booth

**Independent Examiner**

R Cathers & Co  
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors  
107 Main Street  
Fintona  
County Tyrone  
BT78 2AH

**Banker**

Danske Bank  
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**Donacavey Church of Ireland**  
**Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023**

The trustees present the Annual Report and Statements of Receipts and Payments and Assets and Liabilities Donacavey Church of Ireland 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 Donacavey Church of Ireland Parish is to support the advancement of the Christian religion by promoting, through the work of Donacavey Church of Ireland, 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.

Donacavey Church of Ireland 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 Donacavey Church of Ireland.

**Achievements, Performance & Public Benefit**

Donacavey Church of Ireland has weekly services on Sunday mornings comprising of a mix of Holy Communion, Family Services, Baptism, Morning and Evening Prayer, Compline, Late Evening Office, the Litany with various other special services during the year e.g. Marriages, Funerals, Confirmation, Lenten, Harvest Thanksgivings, Advent and Christmas. Pastoral care is provided for parishioners and those in the wider community.

A range of other activities are provided by Donacavey Parish either by the church directly or through various church organisations e.g. Sunday School, Carers and Toddlers' Group, Mothers' Union, and a range of children's groups including Girls Friendly Society. Other groups regularly hire the church parish center for Bowls, Women's Institute and Auctions. The parish hall is given free of charge to all children's groups and also the Senior Citizens.

The Parish has a well organised and enthusiastic catering committee who provide funeral teas and refreshments after special services. In general, the catering committee use their proceeds to help maintain and improve the Parish Hall. The catering committee also provided a harvest supper during the harvest celebrations and refreshments during the parish sale and auction. Proceeds from these fund-raising events went to general church funds.

A number of parishioners serve on the Board of Governors of the local primary school and the Rector leads assemblies on a regular basis.

The activities outlined above demonstrate how Donacavey Parish continues to implement its charitable purposes (i.e. the advancement of religion) and meets the Public Benefit requirement by providing the Parish Hall free of charge to local community groups, contributing to the spiritual well-being of participants and the reinforcement of Christian values.

The Trustees have put in place policies to protect anyone partaking in church activities and have implemented the Church of Ireland Safeguarding Trust Policy.

The Parish has given 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 benefit.

## **Donacavey Church of Ireland**

### **Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)**

#### **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 end 31 December 2024 can be signed off 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 Organisation. 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 once a year. The Select Vestry is elected as part of this 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.

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

The Select Vestry is responsible for the day to day management of the Parish. The Select Vestry consists of the member of the clergy serving in the Parish, any curate assistant ("the curate"), the churchwardens, the glebe wardens and generally not more than twelve other members of the general vestry elected at the General Vestry.

The Select Vestry is chaired by the incumbent or other member of the clergy officiating in the Parish. 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 or by the diocesan synod. Special meetings may be convened at any time by the chairperson or the churchwardens.

**Donacavey Church of Ireland**

**Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)**

**Compliance with Public Benefit**

The Parish has given careful consideration to the Charity Commissioner for Northern Ireland's guidance on the 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 benefit.

**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 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.

On Behalf of the Trustees

***Rev John Woods***

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Rev John Woods  
Trustee

***John Booth***

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Mr John Booth  
Trustee

Date : 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024

**Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of  
Donacavey Church of Ireland (Charity no. 105368)**

I report on the accounts of Donacavey Church of Ireland for the year ended 31 December 2023.

**Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

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

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my 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.

My examination included a review 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 accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act;
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records;
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act;
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.



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**Richard Cathers FCA**  
**Chartered Accountant**  
**107 Main Street, Fintona, Co Tyrone, BT78 2AH**  
**Date : 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024**

**Donacavey Church of Ireland**

**Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31 December 2023**

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>				
Weekly envelopes and plate collections	59,477	-	59,477	56,407
Proceeds from Fund Raising Events	2,597	-	2,597	-
Legacies	-	-	-	-
Bank and Deposit Interest	72	-	72	74
Investment Income	5,201	-	5,201	3,100
Rental of Premises	8,406	-	8,406	6,718
Grants	8,994	1,220	10,214	14,062
Other Receipts	16,319	-	16,319	14,762
Receipts from Parish Organisations	407	-	407	371
<b><u>Total Receipts</u></b>	<b><u>101,473</u></b>	<b><u>1,220</u></b>	<b><u>102,693</u></b>	<b><u>95,494</u></b>
<b><u>Payments</u></b>				
Diocesan costs/assessment	51,055	-	51,055	43,492
Church running costs	7,588	-	7,588	8,617
Hall Running Costs	9,666	-	9,666	8,656
Glebe/Rectory Costs	7,210	-	7,210	765
Rental Property Costs	495	-	495	467
Independent Examiner's Fee	-	-	-	-
Administrative Costs	1,510	-	1,510	1,822
Fundraising Costs	-	-	-	-
Charitable Donations	2,027	-	2,027	1,520
Bank Charges	429	-	429	328
Preachers Expenses	200	-	200	270
Sunday School Expenses	849	-	849	930
Payments from Parish Organisations	-	3,419	3,419	1,077
Sundry	2,039	-	2,039	25,432
<b><u>Total Payments</u></b>	<b><u>83,068</u></b>	<b><u>3,419</u></b>	<b><u>86,487</u></b>	<b><u>86,487</u></b>
<b>(Deficit)/ Excess of Receipts over Payments for the year before transfers</b>	<b>18,405</b>	<b>(2,199)</b>	<b>16,206</b>	<b>9,007</b>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
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On Behalf of the Trustees

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**John Booth**

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Mr John Booth  
Trustee

Date : 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024

**Donacavey Church of Ireland**

**Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2023**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>	<b>Total 2022 £</b>
<b>Cash Funds</b>				
General Purposes Account	38,925	-	<b>38,925</b>	38,899
Savings Account	50,651	-	<b>50,651</b>	41,848
Rental Property Account	22,931	-	<b>22,931</b>	14,239
Youth Council Account	8,414	-	<b>8,414</b>	8,666
Bowling Club Account	-	1,767	<b>1,767</b>	2,830
<b>Total Cash Funds</b>	<b><u>120,921</u></b>	<b><u>1,767</u></b>	<b><u>122,688</u></b>	<b><u>106,482</u></b>
<b>Investment Assets</b>				
Other Listed Investments	66,398	-	<b>66,398</b>	53,858
Rental Property	58,000	-	<b>58,000</b>	58,000
Investments in RCB	29,127	-	<b>29,127</b>	29,127
<b>Total Investment Assets</b>	<b><u>156,994</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>156,994</u></b>	<b><u>140,985</u></b>
<b>Assets retained for the Parish's own use</b>				
Glebe House	190,000	-	<b>190,000</b>	190,000
Church Hall	75,000	-	<b>75,000</b>	75,000
<b>Total Assets retained for the Parish's own use</b>	<b><u>265,000</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>265,000</u></b>	<b><u>265,000</u></b>

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