

Mason Glen Charitable Trust

Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31 December 2024

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

Charity registration number: 109242

Structure, Governance and Management

The Mason Glen Charitable Trust is an unincorporated charity that was established by a Declaration of Trust on 5 August 2022.

The Trustees shall manage the business of the Charity and may exercise all the powers of the Charity unless they are subject to any restriction as imposed by the Applicable Charities Legislation.

New trustees are appointed by the existing trustees. The Trust deed provides for a minimum of two Trustees, to a maximum of six Trustees. The Trustees shall appoint from their number a Chairman, at the first meeting and such Chairman shall hold office for a period of three years. On retirement the Chairman shall be eligible for re-election from year to year and any vacancy occurring during the year for whatever reason shall be filled by the Trustees as the occasion arises by a majority vote.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Mason Glen Charitable Trust
Registered charity number	109242
Charity's principal address	103 Belfast Road Newtownards BT23 4TS

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Mr John Glen

Ms Victoria Louise Gibson

Mr Jordan Noel Lowry

Objectives and Activities

The charity is established for exclusively charitable purposes, namely the prevention and relief of poverty, the relief of those in need by reason of youth age, ill health, disability, financial hardship, or other disadvantage in any part of the world, and such other charitable purposes as the Trustees see fit from time to time.

Among the direct benefits that the Charity aims to provide are –

- To focus on the needs of deprived children where lack of parental support has impacted their education and development;
- To assist young people with life-threatening disabilities to avail of treatment where treatment is not readily available;
- To support the homeless on the street with assistance and basic needs;
- To assist amateur sports projects allowing children to benefit from normal physical activities not readily available to them;
- To assist those suffering from a lack of human rights to address those problems.

The beneficiaries of the Charity are men, women and children in need by reason of youth age, ill health, disability, financial hardship, or other disadvantage.

The Charity supports these aims through making grants to appropriate institutions and individuals. The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities and setting the grant making policy for the year.

The charity provides grants/funding to bona fide organisations or individuals to alleviate need caused by reason of youth age, ill health, disability, financial hardship, or other disadvantage.

Achievements and Performance

During the year the charity was able to support a range of projects –

Equipping for Life (EFL) – our continuing support has enable EFL to expand its network partnering with 24 schools in the Shankill area of Belfast and about 135 volunteer tutors every week providing 270 children with 30 minutes of one-to-one time with a mature adult. These sessions will involve prayer, reading (Christian and other books) and interaction (games, chat, etc). These benefited children aged between 6 and 11 whose reading ability, background and/or circumstances would suggest that one-to-one mentoring/reading with an adult once per week would benefit their emotional, cognitive, and spiritual development.

- New team of 6 volunteers started in Carrick Central Integrated Primary School, Carrickfergus.
- September to December – Recruitment and training of 11 new volunteers for existing and two new schools in East Belfast and Co Armagh.
- June to December – Ongoing support to schools including visits.
- September and December - Training and celebration events for volunteers. Tennis in School (to enable the programme to be sustainable in Shankill Schools).
- September to December – Tennis coaching in Wheatfield and Primary School with P7 and pupils from 2 Special Educational Needs Units. This is a 'first' for the Tennis Team.
- Development of a new Tennis school – Currie Primary School. Inspire Programme (to develop the work in the Shankill Schools and make it sustainable).
- September to December, planning for Inspire Days in Springhill and Blackmountain Primary Schools (Spring 2025).
- Held Inspire Days in Edenbrooke and Malvern Primary Schools, Summer 2024.
- Developing a 'Be Inspired' Programme for P6 and 7 pupils in existing Inspire Schools (Forth River, Glenwood, Wheatfield, Malvern and Edenbrooke) to reinforce the themes of aspiration and inspiration – Amy Carmichael days, creative projects, local role models. Website Development (to enable EFL to tell the story of the work done in our partner schools).
- Ongoing development of website as new schools are added.
- Very regular posts on Facebook and X.

- Ongoing partnership with schools to highlight the work of EFL volunteers with the pupils. General Administration (to maintain the work of EFL across all ministry areas).
- Ongoing administration, rent, insurance, printing, services.
- Published September 2024 and January 2025 Ministry Update (Appendix 1) which were sent to supporters, volunteers and funders.
- Organise regular and ongoing prayer meetings for the work of the schools and EFL, including during the recent Transfer Tests.

Church Planting Programme – as our previous report church planting has a long history dating back to New Testament times when Paul planted churches in the largest cities of the different regions he visited. As the worshipping community grows and spiritual maturity, the support that it needs from external sources gradually reduces over a 7-10 year-period. We have completed our funding to CPP as agreed in 2023.

Teen Challenge Pastor Madden — our support continues to assist homeless people in Belfast and the drug centre in Berry Street by the purchase of sleeping bags, tents, donating towards overheads of the car, drug bus and providing a funding for transporting addict to UK mainland for rehabilitation and medical attention.

The Dock Cafe. We have supported the Dock Café over many years a request for assistance was received in 2024 that the landlord was reducing the floor area the Café occupied by approx. 50%. requiring alterations. We funded part of this expenditure.

Divine Healing Ministries

Interdenominational Divine Healing Ministries was founded in 1993 by Brother David Jardine and Sister Margaret McStay with a mission to pray for the healing of individuals and our land. Since its inception, the ministry has offered prayer for healing weekly at five different venues across Belfast, with the number of locations expanding throughout Northern Ireland.

The ministry's commitment to prayer for our land began on April 30, 1991. Over the years, this prayer has taken various forms, including daily sessions at St. Anne's Cathedral. During times of crisis, special days of prayer have been organized, drawing many to fill the Cathedral for extended periods of prayer. Since early 2017, daily prayer for our land has been held for two hours at St. George's Church on High Street in Belfast.

The persistent and heartfelt prayers of the people of God throughout the years have undoubtedly contributed to the relative peace and stability that Northern Ireland has experienced in recent times.

Brother David Jardine is a Church of Ireland clergyman and a member of the Society of St. Francis, an Anglican religious community. After experiencing a profound personal healing through the ministry of Rev. Cecil Kerr, Brother David felt called to the healing ministry. Following a period of prayer and spiritual discernment, he co-founded Divine Healing Ministries in 1993.

Financial Review

During the period the Charity received donations totalling £150,000 and paid out grants of £124,630. The surplus of income over grants and other expenditure was £23,019.

The closing unrestricted reserves of the Charity were £101,363. The Trustee consider this an appropriate level of reserves to support the activities of the Charity, and these funds will be used to finance the provision of grants in future periods.

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees –



John Glen

Trustee

9 APRIL 2024
Date

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of the Mason Glen Charitable Trust

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on page 8.

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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9 April 2025

Mason Glen Charitable Trust
 Receipts and payments account
 For the year ended 31 December 2024

Charity number 109242

Receipts and payments

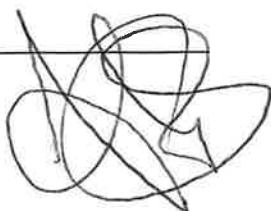
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Period ended 31 December 2023 £
Receipts				
Donations	150,000	-	150,000	150,000
Total receipts	150,000	-	150,000	150,000
Payments				
Charitable grants	124,630	-	124,630	71,440
Bank fees	31	-	31	216
Governance & administration costs	2,320	-	2,320	-
Total payments	126,981	-	126,981	71,656
Movement in funds in year	23,019	-	23,019	78,344
Funds brought forward	78,344	-	78,344	-
Funds carried forward	101,363	-	101,363	78,344

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Last year £
Cash funds				
Danske bank account	101,363	-	101,363	78,344
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Signed on behalf of all the trustees by

John Glen
 Trustee



9 APRIL 2025
 Date