



**The Provincial Grand Lodge of  
Londonderry & Donegal  
Masonic Welfare Fund**

NIC101907

**Financial Statements and Trustees' Report**  
For the year ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2024

# **The Provincial Grand Lodge of Londonderry & Donegal Masonic Welfare Fund**

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**Trustees' Report**

**For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024**

Trustees: Mr Simon McHenry  
Mr Alan Maguire  
Mr William McCausland  
Mr Hugh McFetridge

Charity Number: NIC101907

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The Provincial Grand Lodge of Londonderry and Donegal Masonic Welfare Fund, constituted by a declaration of Trust made on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2004 and varied on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2011, accepted as a charity by HM Revenue & Customs under reference number XN80514 and registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2015 under charity number NIC101907.

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## **Trustees' Report**

### **For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 (cont'd)**

The charity's purposes are detailed within the constitution and can be summarised as;

1. To relieve in cases of need, hardship or distress Freemasons and the widows and other dependents of deceased Freemasons principally within the Masonic Province of Londonderry and Donegal.
2. To provide financial assistance to other duly constituted Masonic Charities.
3. To provide financial assistance to any person or body for any charitable purpose as defined in article 2 of The Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

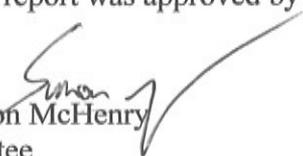
The Trustees have had regard to the Public benefit guidance issued by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland.

During the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 the charity has conducted the following activities in furtherance of its activities for the public benefit;

1. Awarded six grants to brethren and the families of brethren to assist with various ill health, disability and financial needs.
2. Made donations to the following local charities, Motor Neurone Disease Association NI, St Vincent De Paul, The Salvation Army, Foyle Food Bank, The Olive Branch, The Simon Community and the Donegal Hospice.
3. Made donations to two other Masonic Charities.

The results of the charity's activities during the year and of its position at the year end are included in the Receipts and payments account on page 5 and the Statement of assets and liabilities on page 6. The trustees are thankful for the support of the brethren forming the membership of the charity and their guests, through their continued generous donations which are used to further the charity's purposes, which have been detailed above.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

  
Simon McHenry  
Trustee

## **Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of The Provincial Grand Lodge of Londonderry & Donegal Masonic Welfare Fund**

We report on the accounts of The Provincial Grand Lodge of Londonderry & Donegal Masonic Welfare Fund for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on pages 5 to 6.

### **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 our 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 our attention.

### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

We have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act 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.

Our 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.

Our role is to state whether any material matters have come to our attention giving us 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 report to the charity trustees of The Provincial Grand Lodge of Londonderry & Donegal Masonic Welfare Fund (cont'd)**

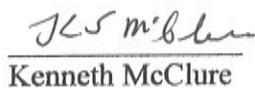
**Independent examiner's statement**

We have completed our 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, we have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

  
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Date: 14/2/25

  
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Date: 2/2/25

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**Receipts and payments account**

**for the year ended 31 December 2024**

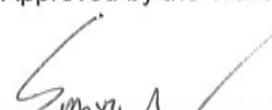
	<b>Unrestricted funds £</b>	<b>Total 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>			
<b>Voluntary Receipts</b>			
Donations	27,417	27,417	29,118
Interest received	5,760	5,760	2,150
<b>From Charitable Activities</b>			
	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>33,177</b>	<b>33,177</b>	<b>31,268</b>
<b><u>Payments</u></b>			
<b>Cost of Charitable Activities</b>			
Grants and donations	18,500	18,500	18,150
Governance costs			
- Insurance	155	155	146
- Bank fees	-	-	5
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>18,655</b>	<b>18,655</b>	<b>18,301</b>
<b>Net (payments)/receipts</b>	<b>14,522</b>	<b>14,522</b>	<b>12,967</b>
Transfers between funds	-	-	-
<b>(Deficit)/surplus for the year</b>	<b>14,522</b>	<b>14,522</b>	<b>12,967</b>

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**Statement of assets and liabilities  
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

	<b>Unrestricted funds £</b>	<b>Total 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>
<b>Funds reconciliation</b>			
Accumulated fund at 31.12.23	157,908	157,908	144,941
(Deficit)/surplus for the year	14,522	14,522	12,967
Accumulated fund at 31.12.24	<u>172,430</u>	<u>172,430</u>	<u>157,908</u>
<b>Bank &amp; cash balances</b>			
Ulster Bank			
Current account	36,536	36,536	37,908
Redwood Bank			
Notice account	35,894	35,894	20,000
1 year Bond	40,000	40,000	-
Cambridge & Counties			
3 year Bond	60,000	60,000	60,000
Hampshire Trust Bank			
1 year Bond	-	-	40,000
	<u>172,430</u>	<u>172,430</u>	<u>157,908</u>

Approved by the Trustees on 23rd April 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

  
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**Simon McHenry**  
 Chair of Trustees