

Trustees Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 May 2024

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Current Trustees

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Governing Document

The Society of Friends of Dunblane Cathedral was founded in 1930 as a charitable unincorporated association and the objects and provisions for governance are set out in the constitution, last revised in 2007. The management of the society rests with the Executive Committee those individuals elected by Council. Members of Council are elected by members of the society, with five appointed by the Kirk Session.

Charitable Purposes

Paragraph II of the constitution, the objects clause, sets out the charitable objects of the society, which might be described as the advancement of the understanding, promotion, safeguarding, and adornment of Dunblane Cathedral, the archaeology, craftsmanship and arts intrinsic, and environs. The objects clause is reproduced in full in the annual Journal.

Activities and Achievements

The society owns, insures and maintains a listed property to the south of Dunblane Cathedral; Dunblane Museum, a charity, is a tenant, the rest of the space being let, all to gain income. The substantial cost of limewashing the property will be required in 2025.

The society publishes an annual Journal which, among other items, contains articles about the history and decoration of the Cathedral and surroundings.

In cooperation with Dunblane Museum, it is collating material about the society held in the Museum and elsewhere with a view to creating an archive of the society and research commissioned by it. After much research from volunteers, the society published a booklet on "The Saving of Kirk Street". A booklet on the stained glass windows of the Cathedral has been researched and prepared. Both are available for purchase. The society is also working with Historic Environment Scotland to create an information board highlighting the society's contributions to the Cathedral building.

Trustees' remuneration and expenses, and Governance

The Trustees did not receive any remuneration or expenses during the year.

Reserves

The Executive, with input from Council, endeavours to maintain reserves to enable the society to maintain its listed properties and undertake other projects to fulfil its objectives.

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Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf,

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30 Sept - 2024

Independent Examiner's Report on the accounts to the Trustees of the Society of Friends of Dunblane Cathedral, Registered Charity Number SC000283

For the year ended 31 May 2024, set out on pages 3 to 4.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 ("the 2005 Act") and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) ("the 2006 Regulations"). The charity's trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(d) of the 2006 Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1)(c) of the 2005 Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:-

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Regulations, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Regulations have not been met, or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Funds Reconciliation at 31 May 2024	Notes	2024	2023
		£	£
Opening Restricted Bank	2	600	300
Opening Unrestricted Bank		57,166	41,040
Consolidated Surpluses for Year		13,583	16,425
Closing Funds at Bank		<u>71,349</u>	<u>57,766</u>
Restricted Funds at Bank		1,050	600
Unrestricted Funds at Bank		70,299	57,166
Closing Funds at Bank		<u>71,349</u>	<u>57,766</u>

Statement of Balances at 31 May 2024

Restricted Opening Balances	2	600	300
Unrestricted Opening Balances		<u>97,915</u>	<u>81,789</u>
Opening Consolidated Balances		<u>98,515</u>	<u>82,089</u>
Restricted Account R & P Surplus		450	300
Unrestricted Account R & P Surplus		13,133	16,125
Consolidated R & P Surplus		<u>13,583</u>	<u>16,425</u>
Closing Consolidated Balance		<u>112,098</u>	<u>98,515</u>
Represented by			
The Cross		3,000	3,000
Dean's House		15,000	15,000
Unrestricted Investments	3	22,749	22,749
Restricted Investments		0	0
Unrestricted Bank		70,299	57,166
Restricted Bank		1,050	600
Consolidated Closing Balance		<u>112,098</u>	<u>98,515</u>

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 May 2024

- The Accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.
- The Restricted Account (the Endowment Account designated in the Constitution) is a fund into which is paid such sums as are designated by donors and testators, and payments for life membership. The capital of this fund can only be spent if authorised at an Annual or Special Meeting, for a specific purpose, and specific maximum amount.
- The Market Value of the unrestricted investments, 3787 units of M & G Investments' The Equities Investment Fund for Charities was £58,006 (£53,837)

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Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 May 2024

	2024	2023
	Notes	
Restricted Fund		
Subscriptions to Life Membership	2 450	300
Surplus (deficit) for year	<u>450</u>	<u>300</u>
Unrestricted Fund		
Subscriptions to Annual Membership	1,382	1,601
Interest and Dividends	3,290	3,182
Rental from Museum	3,000	1,000
Rental from other properties	19,800	19,800
Donations	73	5,175
Books, sales and donations	<u>1,286</u>	<u>622</u>
Total Unrestricted Receipts	<u>28,831</u>	<u>31,381</u>
Payments from Unrestricted Funds		
Charitable donations	-1	-1
Society projects	-640	-640
General property	-878	-1,219
Property insurance	<u>-11,273</u>	<u>-10,538</u>
Total Payments for Charitable Activities	<u>-12,792</u>	<u>-12,397</u>
Governance Costs		
The Journal, printing and distribution	-2,906	-2,783
Admin. Expenses	<u></u>	<u>-75</u>
Total Payments for Governance Costs	<u>-2,906</u>	<u>-2,858</u>
Total Payments from Unrestricted Funds	<u>-15,698</u>	<u>-15,256</u>
Surplus (deficit) for year on Unrestricted Funds	<u>13,133</u>	<u>16,125</u>
Consolidated Receipts and Payments		
Total Restricted Receipts	450	300
Total Unrestricted Receipts	<u>28,831</u>	<u>31,381</u>
Total Receipts	<u>29,281</u>	<u>31,681</u>
Restricted Payments	0	0
Unrestricted Payments	<u>-15,698</u>	<u>-15,256</u>
Total Payments	<u>-15,698</u>	<u>-15,256</u>
Consolidated Surplus (deficit) for Year	<u>13,583</u>	<u>16,425</u>