Gartcosh Parish Church of Scotland

Receipts and Payments Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023

Congregation No: 160859 Charity No: SC007541

Gartcosh Parish Church of Scotland

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name:

Charity Registration Number:

Congregation Reference Number:

Contact Address:

Gartcosh Parish Church of Scotland

SC007541 160859



Trustees



All members of the Kirk Session also serve on the Board.

Principal Office-bearers

Minister:

Session Clerk:

Clerk to the Board & Presbytery Elder:

Church Treasurer:

Independent Examiner



Bankers:

Clydesdale Bank PLC (Now operated by Virgin Money)

Chryston Branch (previously at Cumbernauld branch, now also closed)

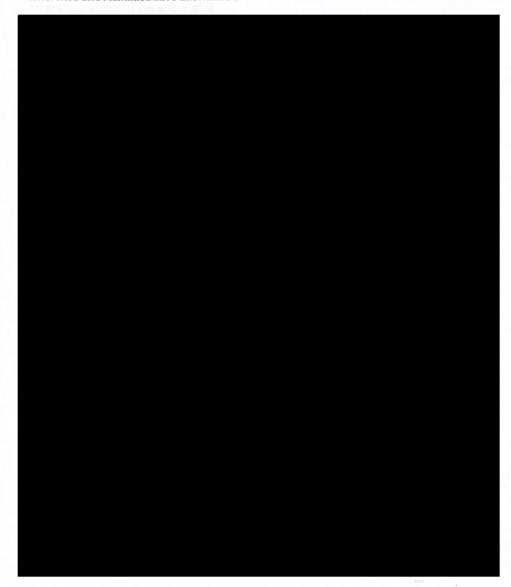
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POSITIONS WITHIN THE CHURCH:

Minister:	
Session Clerk:	
Assistant Session Clerk:	
Clerk to the Board:	
Treasurer:	
Fabric Convenor:	
Presbytery Elder:	
Organist:	
Roll Keeper:	
Safeguarding Co-ordinator:	
Bell Ringer:	
Prayer Secretary:	
Social Convenor:	
Sunday Club:	
Senior Sunday Club:	
Boys Brigade Captain:	
Boys Brigade Leaders:	
Girls Brigade Captain:	
Girls Brigade Leader:	

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Gartcosh Parish Church of Scotland Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The Church is administered in accordance with the terms of the Model Deed of Constitution.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

The Minister, along with members of the Kirk Session and the Congregational Board are the charity trustees. The Minister is elected by the congregation and inducted by Presbytery. The Kirk Session members are the elders of the church and are chosen from those members of the church who are considered to have the appropriate gifts and skills.

The Congregational Board is appointed from within the congregation, and members of the congregation are invited to nominate individuals who are believed to have the skills and commitment to contribute to the management affairs of the Church, to become members of the Board. Board Members are then appointed at the Stated Annual Meeting and serve for a period of three years after which they may seek re-election at the next Stated Annual Meeting. Board Members can also be co-opted between times and have their election confirmed at the following Stated Annual Meeting.

Organisational Structure

The Congregational Board is ordinarily chaired by the minister and meets around six times in a year, or additionally if required. The Congregational Board looks after the temporal affairs of the church, particularly Finance and Fabric.

The Kirk Session is moderated by the minister and meets around six times in a year for ordinary business, or additionally if required, and generally meets a further four times a year at Communion. The Kirk Session is responsible for spiritual affairs within the church. In addition there is normally an annual joint meeting of Gartcosh and Glenboig Kirk Sessions.

Objectives and Activities

The Church of Scotland is Trinitarian in doctrine, Reformed in tradition and Presbyterian in polity. It exists to glorify God and to work for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom throughout the world. As a national Church, it acknowledges a distinctive call and duty to bring the ordinances of religion to the people in every parish of Scotland through a territorial ministry. It co-operates with other Churches in various ecumenical bodies in Scotland and beyond.

Gartcosh Parish Church exists: to glorify and enjoy God; to strengthen spiritual life through the systematic exposition of scripture; to support each other through fellowship; to offer Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord; to serve and influence our community in a Christian way.

Gartcosh Parish Church is linked with Glenboig Parish Church and shares a minister with them.

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Achievements and Performance

Worshipping numbers in person continued to be lower than pre-pandemic, however they recovered somewhat through the year though still not back to usual levels. Hall lets and other church activities have continued to resume and grow. There was 1 Baptism, and 8 funerals (4 of church members) 4 people joined by profession of faith and 1 by certificate conducted by or on behalf of the minister or parish.

Fabric: We remain grateful as ever to members of the Fabric Committee and Work Party who donate their skills and time throughout the year, saving the church thousands over the years. Ongoing maintenance was conducted as required, within the restrictions in place at any given point. Additional church lighting was installed. A disabled ramp installed to the hall entrance and new entry doors fitted.

Financial Review

The weekly offerings continue to show increases with more to giving by standing order. The resumption of hall lets and increase in hourly rate has also substantially benefited income levels, and other regular income also increased.

Our expenditure has been met in full including Ministries and Mission allocation. We generated a surplus of 11,000 in the general account enabling us to 'top-up' the Fabric Fund.

Reserves Policy

The charity trustees have considered the reserves required and have taken into account their current and future liabilities. It is the Trustees' policy to hold reserves of approximately 3 to 6 months' expenditure including designated funds. The legacies have left the church in a strong position, and we were able to replace £5,000 to 'top up' the Legacy Fund. At the year end the church held unrestricted funds of £10,300 of which £5,300 had been designated for the fabric fund. This represents approximately 2 to 3 months of 'normal' expenditure. The Trustees will continue to review income and expenditure plans to revise this policy if necessary.

In addition there is a balance of £81,000 held in the Legacy Fund. The church also held almost £600 of restricted funds which have been provided for the purposes specified in Note 2.

The Trustees will continue to review income and expenditure plans to revise this policy if necessary.

Gartcosh Parish Church of Scotland Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023 Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees must prepare financial statements which give sufficient detail to enable an appreciation of the transactions of the Church during the financial year. The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which, on request, must reflect the financial position of the Church at that time. This must be done to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and the Congregational Finance Regulations approved by the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in 2016. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Church and must take reasonable steps for the prevention and/or detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees on 1413/244 and signed on their behalf by.

Gartcosh Parish Church

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Gartcosh Parish Church of Scotland

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023 which are set out on pages 8 to 12.

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 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

The Charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44 (1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

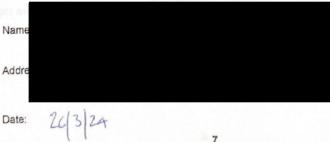
Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). 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 Accounts Regulations (as amended), and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations (as amended) 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.



Gartcosh Parish Church of Scotland Receipts and Payments Account Year ended 31 December 2023

		Unrestricted Funds 2023	Restricted Funds 2023	Endowment Funds 2023	Total 2023	Total 2022
Receipts	Note	£	£	£	£	£
Donations	3	20067		0	20067	20276
Legacies		5000	0	0	5000	0
Activities for Generating Funds		4649	0	0	4649	3908
Bank & Deposit interest		1778	0	0	1778	609
Investment income	9	0	0	0	0	0
Rental of premises		12601	0	0	12601	13450
Grants		1750	0	0	1750	0
Receipts from General Trustees		0	0	0	0	0
Other Receipts		480	0	0	480	930
		46325	0	0	46325	39173
Sale of assets		0	0	0	0	0
Sale of investments		0	0	0	0	0
Total Receipts		46325	0	0	46325	39173
Payments	4					
Costs of generating funds		management - a	0	0	section surround.	98
Charitable activities		42725	-	0	42725	33962
Governance costs		0	0	0	0	0
Investment		0	0	0	0	0
Total Payments		42,725	0	0	42,725	34,060
Excess of receipts over payments						
for the year before transfers		3600	0	0	3,600	5,113
Transfers		-		_		
Excess receipts over payments for				0	= ,	
the year		3600	0	0	3,600	5,113

Gartcosh Parish Church of Scotland Statement of Balances at 31 December 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Endowment Funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Bank & Deposit Balances						
Bank & deposit balances						
brought forward		91424	571	0	91995	86882
Movement in year:					1100	
Excess of Receipts over Payments for the year		3600		0	3600	5113
Bank & deposit balances						
carried forward		95024	571	0	95595	91,995
Investments at market value						
lage feet)	0	0			0
Assets		0	0	0	0	0
T to billion						
<u>Liabilities</u>		0	0	0	0	0

The accounts were approved by the Kirk Session and Financial Board on 14 Hagest 2024

For and on behalf of the Kirk Session and Financial Board



Gartcosh Parish Church of Scotland

Notes forming part of the accounts

for the year ended 31 December 2023

1. Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts & Payments basis in accordance with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and the Congregational Finance Regulations approved by the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in 2016.

2. Movements in Funds

WIOVERNERIS III Pullus	At 1 Jan 2023 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	At 31 Dec 2023 £
Determine Catcher Day					
Unrestricted funds	173	((02	17033	11000	5895
Designated Fabric Fund	5326	6602		0	821
Designated Small Church Fund	806	15	0		74
Designated Minister's Fund	24	50	0	0	
Designated M&M Fund	0	0	0	0	0
The Ark	0	214	68	0	146
General Fund	4146	37666	25624	-11000	5188
	81122	1778	0	0	82900
Legacy Fund	91424	46325	42725	0	95024
Restricted funds					571
Organ Fund	571	0	0	0	571
Products was	571	0	0	0	571
Endowment funds		- 0			0
	0	0	0	0	
	0	0	0	0	0
Total funds	91995	46325	42725	0	95595

Purposes of Designated Funds

Fabric Fund: The Trustees have set aside funds for the maintenance of the Church property

Small Church Fund: The Trustees have set aside funds accumulated by people saving coins in a jar to be used where necessary.

Minister's Fund: The Trustees have set aside funds donated to the minister to be used where necessary.

M&M Fund: The Trustees have set aside Investment Income to go to Ministries & Mission Contributions. General Fund: Deals with the day to day running of the church

The Ark: From 2023, the Parent/Carer & Toddler group accounts are now dealt with as a designated fund.

Purposes of Restricted Funds

Organ Fund: This is a fund to assist with the cost of purchasing or repairing the organ only

Gartcosh Parish Church of Scotland Notes forming part of the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted Funds 2023	Restricted Funds 2023	Endowment Funds 2023 £	Total 2023	Total 2022 £
Analysis of Donations Note	Best Taxa				
WFO Scheme (non Gift Aid)	2841	0	0	2841	2192
Gift Aid Donations	7256	0	0	7256	8145
the second strength of the second of the second	3625	0	0	3625	3768
Tax Recovered on Gift Aid Donations	5870	0	0	5870	5455
Ordinary Offerings (Open Plate)		0	0	0	0
Donations from organisations	0	0	0	0	0
National Giving Day	0	0	0	475	716
Other Offerings, Donations etc	20067	0	0	20067	20276
Analysis of Payments					
. Costs of generating funds					0
Investment Managers' fees	0	.0	0	0	0
Offering envelopes	0	0	0	0	98
Entered Chesha Astrockow (1)	0	0	0	0 =	98
Charitable activities	Create report	•	0	9124	9182
Ministries & Mission allocation 10		0	0	225	244
Presbytery dues	225	0	0	814	605
Ministers' Expenses	814		0	875	450
Pulpit supply	875	0	0	4558	4100
Other staffing costs	4558	0	0	14986	5703
Fabric repairs & maintenance Church	14986	0	0	224	202
Fabric repairs & maintenance Manse	224	0	0	1169	1115
Council Tax	1169	0	0	0	0
Water Rates	0	0	0	6277	4347
Heat and light - Church	6277	0	0	1745	1632
Insurance	1745		0	389	345
Church telephone	389	0	0	0	4000
Organ & music	0	0	0	244	78
Printing, stationery and postage	244	0	0	1620	1400
Garden Exps and Drainage Maintenance	1620	0	0	475	559
Other expenses 8	-	-	0	42725	33962
	42725	0			
	42725	0	0	42725	34060

Gartcosh Parish Church of Scotland Notes forming part of the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023

5. Trustee Remuneration and Related Party Transactions received £2200 for providing his services as Organist during the year. (Minister): Manse Council Tax of £1169 was paid, plus expenses of £814 (including travel expenses received £2017 for providing her services as paid through Edinburgh payroll). Church/Hall Cleaner during the year. 6. Minister's Stipend All Church of Scotland congregations contribute to the National Stipend Fund which bears the costs of all ministers' stipends and employer's contributions for national insurance, pension and housing and loan fund. Ministers' stipends are paid in accordance with the national stipend scale, which is related to years of service. For the year under review the minimum stipend was £30135 and the maximum stipend in the 5th 2022 and subsequent wears of service \$27037 2023 £ £ 7. Collections for Third Parties 500 0 Bethesda Khankho International (Henglep Church Roof Appeal) 150 0 Wycliffe Bible Translators/SIL (Jo Crotty support) 50 World Day of Prayer 250 Glasgow City Mission

Donations included in Other Expenses

Lodging House Mission

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Investments

Per advice from Stewardship & Finance, investments held in the name of the Church of Scotland should not be disclosed within the Parish Church accounts (SC011353). However, an investment of 50,000 was made in May 2017, and is still held on behalf of the congregation. Monies generated as interest are deducted annually from M&M Contribution request, as shown below in note 10 - for 2023 £1237 was received. (2022: £1237)

Ministries & Mission Contribution

Ministries & Mission Contribution for 2023 was £13473. This was then reduced by historic endowment income of £1215, other endowment of £1134 from investment, and presbytery allowance of £2000. Net requirements of £9124 paid in full by bankers order in ten equal instalments.

GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR 2024

Income		Expenditure	
Offerings: WFO Envelopes	3000	Ministries & Mission	10264
Open Plate	6000	Pulpit Supply	700
Gift Aid	7500	Salaries	4500
Income Tax Recovered	4000	Fuel & Power	6500
Hall Lets	12000	Telephone	350
Other Income	1500	Insurance	1877
		Printing & Stationery	100
		Miscellaneous	500
		Minister's Travel	1000
		Presbytery Dues	906
		Manse Council Tax	1200
		Website	60
		CCLI	185
		Deficit	5858
Total	£34,000	Total	£34,000