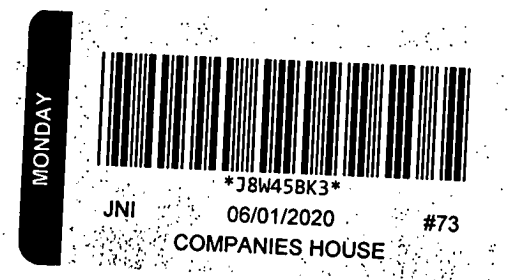


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**North Belfast Interface Network  
Company limited by guarantee  
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Directors' report and financial statements  
for the year ended 31 March 2019  
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**Directors' report  
for the year ended 31 March 2019**

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2019.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the 's [governing document], the Companies Act 2006 and the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", issued in March 2005.

**Structure, governance and management**

The Company is a company limited by guarantee.

**Directors**

The directors who served during the year were as follows

C Heron (Secretary)

A Kerr

M Maguire

J McAlea

L Morgan

M Morgan

K Murphy

P O'Neill

L Wiggins

**Introduction**

NBIN aim to achieve these through consultation, local representation, work with community representatives across sectarian divides and interagency work. As a result of this engagement process NBIN plan activities that enable local people to address issues that have that have a negative impact on community relations. NBIN develop initiatives that seek to transform the nature of conflict and act as a catalyst for the development of community collaborations that have the potential to bring about positive social and physical change in the area. The primary vehicle for the delivery of this work has been through the programming of the Twaddell Ardoyne Shankill Communities in Transition (TASCIT) programme, of which NBIN is the lead partner.

The creation of North Belfast Interface Network has been a response to intra communal violence and the threat to the physical and social structures of community life posed by ongoing conflict and communal North Belfast Interface Network was formed in 2002. Its primary focus is now on developing relations and trust between the two communities and to help create the conditions for the regeneration of interface communities.

**Objectives and activities**

**Objectives & Activities for the Public Benefit**

The Vision of The North Belfast Interface Network is of,

"A safe, confident and prosperous community at peace with itself and its neighbours".

The NBIN Mission statement is,

"Working to create understanding, respect and positive relations within and between North Belfast Communities

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NBIN have three have three key strategic aims which are:

To minimise the potential for violent conflict and support positive intervention in North Belfast

To build and maintain positive working relationships within and between communities

To play an active role in creating positive physical transformation of interface communities in North Belfast

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**To minimise the potential for violent conflict and support positive intervention in North Belfast**

During the period April '18 to March '19 representatives from NBIN, Lower Shankill Community Association (LSCA), Twaddell Woodvale Residents Association (TWRA) and Concerned Residents Upper Ardoyne (CRUA) met on a weekly basis. Part of the agenda for these meetings is to monitor the nature of interface incidents occurring in the community.

In the period from April 2018 to March 2019 NBIN have continued to highlight the difficulties that arranged fights and transient youth pose in relation to the negative perceptions of instability at interfaces, particularly in relation to seeking agreement on barrier transformation plans.

These issues have been raised at interagency meetings and with IFI, DOJ and PSNI.

Whilst NBIN will continue to provide assistance to requests from residents in relation to these issues we have stated that this is primarily a PSNI matter and that any initiatives designed to address this matter must reflect this. Community or youth interventions alone will not resolve this issue.

**To build and maintain positive working relationships within and between communities**

NBIN through its partnership with TASCIT have continued to provide opportunities for residents to engage across the interface divide through its Promoting Positive Change Programme but findings from the 2017 IFI Peacewalls Attitudinal Study revealed, "a need to address the significant percentage of respondents in both communities (66% of those surveyed) who have little or no contact with those on the other side of the barriers".

In response to the findings in this study TASCIT undertook an intensive engagement programme which provided a range of activities including, family fun days trips to places of historical significance including Derry, the Somme Centre and Dublin, local discussions, debates and cross community food drives. These activities have engaged in excess of 1000 people. In July 2018 NBIN secured £60, 000 from The Executive Office Central Good Relations fund to expand this work further. As a result of this fund TASCIT now deliver a 9 week extensive engagement programme that can engage up to 100 residents from across BT13/14 a year. To date three tranche of Challenging Conversations programme has been completed and the programme is proving very positive and beneficial.

NBIN secured £10,000 for a TASCIT Christmas Fun Day event, Carol service and Christmas tree illumination. An estimated 600 people took part in these events.

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**To play an active role in creating positive physical transformation of Interface communities in North Belfast**

In April 2018 NBIN secured £162,616 from the International Fund for Ireland (IFI) to support the work of TASCIT until March 2019. TASCIT are currently working on the transformation of 8 sites across four interface communities. Each of the sites have different issues to work through and each are at different phases of development.

At Colombia St a substantial environmental scheme is underway and a new gate opening onto the Crumlin Rd has been proposed. Consultations will then begin to plan the phased opening of pedestrian gate as soon as this work is complete.

At Flax St a timeline has been agreed that will see the transformation of this site with a proposed single automated gate replacing the two permanently closed structures currently in place within this current financial year

At HeskethPk /Ardoyne Rd the normalisation of up to 20 properties will take place as soon as the scheme is prioritised on the After Care package programme of works.

Concept designs have been developed and discussions are ongoing with residents of Velsheda Court and Ardoyne Rd. We are currently awaiting a DOJ design process that will provide TASCIT with a series of viable alternatives to present to residents of Alliance Ave and Glenbyrn Pk for their consideration.

TASCIT are also waiting on plans for the redevelopment of the Holy Cross Parochial House which will focus resident engagement on the removal of a DOJ fence on the Woodvale Rd.

**Achievements and performance**

The company believes it achieved its goals of promoting good community relations throughout the North Belfast interface area.

**Reserve Policy**

In order to carry out our work it is necessary to hold financial resources in reserve. The trustees have agreed a policy that requires financial ie unrestricted reserves to be maintained at a level sufficient to sustain 3 months' core activity during a period of unforeseen difficulty.

To operate as a successful community organisation, we require financial reserves for the following purposes:

- Strategic - acquiring and replacing assets to benefit the community
- Accountability - complying with legal and statutory obligations eg redundancy payments
- Operational - to cover running costs not included in grant income, sustaining staff in gap funding periods etc.

**Financial review**

The results are set in full in the financial statements. The directors have obtained funding for the near future.

This report was approved by the Board on 4 December 2019 and signed on its behalf by

  
**M Maguire  
Director**

**Independent examiner's Report to the Members of  
North Belfast Interface Network**

I report on the accounts of the for the for the year ended 31 March 2019, which are set out on pages 3 to 9.

**Respective responsibilities of and examiner**

As the charity trustees (and also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law, and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- 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. The examination included 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 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland
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.



**Richard McClay FCA  
For and on behalf of McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD**

**1 Lanyon Quay  
Belfast**

**4 December 2019**

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**Statement of Financial Activities (Including Summary Income and Expenditure Account)  
for the year ended 31 March 2019**

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Total
		2019	2019	2019	2018
		£	£	£	£
<b>Incoming Resources</b>	<b>Notes</b>				
<i>Activities to further the charity's objectives:</i>					
Grant received and events	3	2,014	184,180	186,194	207,951
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<u>2,014</u>	<u>184,180</u>	<u>186,194</u>	<u>207,951</u>
<b>Charitable expenditure</b>					
Management and administration	4	(655)	(230,235)	(230,890)	(181,808)
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<u>(655)</u>	<u>(230,235)</u>	<u>(230,890)</u>	<u>26,143</u>
<b>Net income before transfers</b>		<u>1,359</u>	<u>(46,055)</u>	<u>(44,696)</u>	<u>26,143</u>
<b>Transfer between funds</b>		<u>(2,861)</u>	<u>2,861</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Net incoming resources</b>		<u>(1,502)</u>	<u>(43,194)</u>	<u>(44,696)</u>	<u>26,143</u>
Fund balances brought forward		<u>40,223</u>	<u>45,000</u>	<u>85,223</u>	<u>59,080</u>
<b>Fund balances carried forward</b>		<u>38,721</u>	<u>1,806</u>	<u>40,527</u>	<u>85,223</u>

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. All gains and losses recognised in the year are included above.

**The notes on pages 8 to 12 form an integral part of these financial statements.**

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**Balance sheet  
as at 31 March 2019**

		2019		2018
	Notes	£	£	£
<b>Current assets</b>				
Debtors	8	36,162		8,034
Cash at bank and in hand		25,040		77,281
		<u>61,202</u>		<u>85,315</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	9	<u>(20,675)</u>		<u>(92)</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>			40,527	85,223
<b>Net assets</b>			<u>40,527</u>	<u>85,223</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>				
Restricted funds	10		1,806	45,000
Unrestricted funds	10		38,721	40,223
<b>General funds</b>			<u>40,527</u>	<u>85,223</u>

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**Balance sheet (continued)**

**for the year ended 31 March 2019**

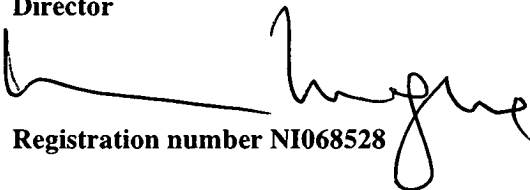
For the year ended 31 March 2019 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- (a) The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- (b) The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 4 December 2019 and signed on its behalf by

**M Maguire  
Director**



Registration number NI068528

**The notes on pages 8 to 12 form an integral part of these financial statements.**

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**Notes to the financial statements  
for the year ended 31 March 2019**

**1. Accounting policies**

**1.1. Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

**1.2. Fund Accounting**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the directors for particular purposes.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal

**1.3. Resources**

**Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are included in the SOFA when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Donations are included as income when they are received. No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

**Resources expended**

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs relating to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

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**2. Employees**

<b>Number of employees</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
The average monthly numbers of employees (including the directors) during the year were:		
Employed	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>
<b>Employment costs</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Wages and salaries	<u>88,755</u>	<u>90,147</u>

There were no employees earning over £60,000 in the two years ended 31 March 2019.

<b>3. Income from charitable activities</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>2019</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Grants and donations</b>				
IFI	-	117,234	117,234	194,729
Belfast City Council	-	500	500	1,192
The Executive Office	-	56,089	56,089	-
The Department of Foreign Affairs	-	7,775	7,775	-
General Income	1,014	495	1,509	914
Housing Executive	-	587	587	11,116
Newington Housing Ass	1,000	-	1,000	-
TWRA Hog Roast	-	1,500	1,500	-
	<u>2,014</u>	<u>184,180</u>	<u>186,194</u>	<u>207,951</u>

In 2018 of the charitable income £207,423 was attributable to restricted income funds with the balance £528 adding to unrestricted income.

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	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>4. Total resources expended</b>		
Wages and pension costs	88,755	84,397
Redundancy	-	5,750
Rent and room hire	13,715	12,462
Insurance	1,685	1,639
Project workers, activities and facilitation	114,489	58,695
Light and heat	2,509	3,324
Cleaning	1,201	1,201
Printing, postage and stationery	3,124	3,280
Telephone	2,578	3,383
Travelling expenses	375	1,466
Independent examination	888	888
Bank charges	293	567
General expenses	1,278	1,736
Underspend repaid	-	3,020
	<u>230,890</u>	<u>181,808</u>

In 2018 of the charitable expenditure £162,677 was attributable to restricted funds with the balance £19,131 relating to unrestricted funds.

**5. Taxation**

No liability to UK corporation tax arises on ordinary activities for the year. The company is a registered charity.

**6. Incorporation**

North Belfast Interface Network is a company limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital. The liability of the members is limited to an amount not exceeding £1 per member.

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		<b>Fixtures, fittings and equipment £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Tangible fixed assets</b>		
	<b>Cost</b>		
	At 1 April 2018	6,342	6,342
	At 31 March 2019	<u>6,342</u>	<u>6,342</u>
	<b>Depreciation</b>		
	At 1 April 2018	6,342	6,342
	At 31 March 2019	<u>6,342</u>	<u>6,342</u>
<b>8.</b>	<b>Debtors</b>	<b>2019 £</b>	<b>2018 £</b>
	Grants due	<u>36,162</u>	<u>8,034</u>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	<b>2019 £</b>	<b>2018 £</b>
	Bank overdraft	<u>20,675</u>	<u>92</u>

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**10. Statement of funds**

	<b>Restricted reserve £</b>	<b>Unrestricted reserve £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Total reserves at 1 April 2018</b>	45,000	40,223	85,223
Total income for the year	184,180	2,014	186,194
Total expenditure for the year	(230,235)	(655)	(230,890)
Transfer between reserves	2,861	(2,861)	-
<b>Total reserves at 31 March 2019</b>	<u>1,806</u>	<u>38,721</u>	<u>40,527</u>

The restricted reserve represents monies that are subject to restriction on their expenditure imposed by the donor. These funds are not available for general charity expenses and must be spent on expenditure stipulated by the funder.

The unrestricted reserve represents the free funds of the charity which are not designated for particular purposes.

**11. Analysis of net assets between funds**

	<b>Restricted reserve £</b>	<b>Unrestricted reserve £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Fund Balances at 31 March 2019 represented by:</b>			
Current assets	22,481	38,721	61,202
Current liabilities	(20,675)	-	(20,675)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<u>1,806</u>	<u>38,721</u>	<u>40,527</u>

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