

**Mothers' Union in Ireland  
(Republic of Ireland Activities)**

**Unaudited annual report  
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

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## **Annual report for the year ended 31 December 2023**

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# Mothers' Union in Ireland (Republic of Ireland Activities)

## Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2023

The Trustees submit their annual report and the unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023. The Trustees have adopted the 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 (FRS 102) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity.

### Reference and administrative information

#### Republic of Ireland:

Mothers' Union in Ireland is recognised as a Charity by the Revenue Commissioners, CHY 5161. Registered charity number- 20007331 (Charities Regulatory Authority).

#### Trustees

The Trustees who served during the year are:

June Butler- All Ireland President	Heather Ellis	Lucy Kavanagh
Patsy Devoy- Vice President	Sally Cotter	Sylvia Wheatley
Sophia Dillon- Vice President	Hilary Dring	Myrtle Nairn
Hazel Speares- Vice President	Jacqui Armstrong	Kaye Nesbitt
Moira Thom- Vice President	Mavis Thompson	Kay Clarke
Debbie Davidson	Ada Lawson	Margaret Jacob
Lesley Bayley	Ann Howard	Clare Stewart

#### Others:

Administrative officer- Vacant in 2023  
 Andrea Thompson - Charity Co-ordinator  
 Rev. Ken Rue FCA – Treasurer

The principal and registered office of the charity is St. Michans Church, Church Street, Dublin 7.

The professional advisers and bankers are:

Accountants – HMCI Limited T/A Hamill McIlwaine, 28/30 Old Mountfield Road, Omagh  
 Bankers – AIB, 7/12 Dame St, Dublin 2  
 – AIB, St Helens, 1 Undershaft, London, EC3A 8AB

### Structure, governance and management

#### Governing document and structure

The charity is controlled by its governing documents, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The Mothers' Union in Ireland (Republic of Ireland Activities) encompass the following Mothers' Union dioceses:

- Cashel, Ferns and Ossory
- Clogher
- Cork, Cloyne and Ross
- Derry and Raphoe
- Dublin and Glendalough
- Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh
- Meath and Kildare
- Tuam, Limerick and Killaloe

Only the Republic of Ireland activities of the above dioceses and their branches are included in these financial statements. The Dioceses are not separately registered with the Charity Regulator.

The Armagh diocesan accounts are included in Mothers' Union (Northern Ireland Activities) financial statements. One of its branches is located in the Republic of Ireland and its accounts are included in these financial statements.

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### **Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)**

#### **Risk management**

The Trustee Board actively reviews the risks which the Trust faces and believes that any risks identified are addressed by it on a timely basis. Such reviews include ensuring appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

#### **Objectives and principal activities**

The charity's purpose is the relief of poverty or economic hardship, advancement of religion, advancement of community welfare including the relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, or disability, the advancement of community development, including rural or urban regeneration, promotion of civic responsibility or voluntary work, promotion of health, including the prevention or relief of sickness, disease or human suffering and the advancement of conflict resolution or reconciliation, promotion of religious or racial harmony and harmonious community relations.

The Aim of the charity is the advancement of the Christian religion in the sphere of marriage and family life. In order to carry out this aim, its objectives are:

- To uphold Christ's teaching on the nature of marriage and promote its wider understanding.
- To encourage parents to bring up their children in the faith and life of the Church.
- To maintain a worldwide fellowship of Christians united in prayer, worship and service.
- To promote conditions in society favourable to stable family life and the protection of children.
- To help those whose family life has met with adversity.

'Away from It All' holidays provided to enable families to spend time together either through a short break or even daily outings.

Calling for an end to gender based violence, including domestic abuse, throughout the year, with parishes and branches taking part in the Mothers' Union RISE UP campaign against domestic abuse and the 16 Days of Activism. This is supported by our education programme, 'Equipping The Church To Take Action and End Domestic Abuse' and our 'Changing The Story' Wellbeing programme.

Support for Indoor members through visiting and writing. Emergency bags for those being admitted to hospital unexpectedly, knitting for premature babies, fiddle blankets and prayer shawls.

Support for families at prison visitor centres.

In all of its activities, the charity follows the Safeguarding policies and procedures issued by the Church of Ireland and, in particular, its Adult Safeguarding policy.

#### **Public benefit statement**

The Trust is satisfied that it adheres to the public benefit test set out by the Charity Regulatory Authority due to the objectives and activities it provides as outlined above.

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## **Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)**

### **Achievements and performance**

#### **Review of activities and future developments**

The statement of financial activities for the year is set out on page 5 of the financial statements. The net movement in funds for the financial year is a surplus of €39,650 (2022: deficit €61,628).

### **Reserves policy and results**

Mothers' Union in Ireland (Republic of Ireland Activities) had total reserves at 31 December 2023 of €800,302 (2022: €760,652).

The results for the year are set out in the statement of financial activities on page 5.

### **Trustees' certificate**

We approve the accounts set out on pages 5 to 15 for the year ended 31 December 2023 disclosing a surplus of €39,650 (2022: deficit of €61,628). We confirm that we have made available all relevant records and information for their preparation.

June Butler  
All-Ireland President  
Date: 28 September 2024

# **Mothers' Union in Ireland (Republic of Ireland Activities)**

## **Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Mothers' Union in Ireland**

I report on the accounts for the Republic of Ireland Activities of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages 5 to 15.

### **Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner**

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of charity legislation. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under charity legislation, and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts,
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charities Regulator, 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 charity legislation and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charities Regulator. 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 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 the Charities Regulator,
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records,
3. That the accounts do not comply with acceptable accounting requirements 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, and
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of Chartered Accountants Ireland which is one of the listed bodies.

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 Charities Regulator, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Mr Rodney Hamill BSc. FCA  
HMCI Limited T/A Hamill McIlwaine  
28-30 Old Mountfield Road  
Omagh  
Co Tyrone  
BT79 7BJ

Date: 28 September 2024

## Mothers' Union in Ireland (Republic of Ireland Activities)

### Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds €	Restricted funds €	2023 Total €	2022 Total €
<b>Incoming resources</b>					
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds</b>					
Voluntary income	2a	3,892	-	<b>3,892</b>	6,676
Activities for generating funds	2b	11,398	540	<b>11,938</b>	8,665
Investment income	2c	49	13,839	<b>13,888</b>	13,088
<b>Incoming resources from charitable activities</b>					
Charitable activities	2d	105,120	33,985	<b>139,105</b>	112,095
Other incoming resources	2e	30,153	6,397	<b>36,550</b>	17,603
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>150,612</b>	<b>54,761</b>	<b>205,373</b>	<b>158,127</b>
<b>Resources expended</b>					
<b>Charitable activities:</b>					
Raising funds	3a	673	-	<b>673</b>	3,107
Charitable activities	3b	131,704	69,111	<b>200,815</b>	156,824
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>132,377</b>	<b>69,111</b>	<b>201,488</b>	<b>159,931</b>
Net incoming resources		18,235	(14,350)	<b>3,885</b>	(1,804)
(Loss)/gain on investments	6	-	35,765	<b>35,765</b>	(59,824)
		18,235	21,415	<b>39,650</b>	(61,628)
Transfer between funds		(13,994)	13,994	-	-
<b>Net movement of funds</b>		<b>4,241</b>	<b>35,409</b>	<b>39,650</b>	(61,628)
Fund balances brought forward at 1 January 2023		176,748	583,904	760,652	822,280
<b>Fund balances carried forward at 31 December 2023</b>	11,12	<b>180,989</b>	<b>619,313</b>	<b>800,302</b>	<b>760,652</b>

# Mothers' Union in Ireland (Republic of Ireland Activities)

## Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2023

	Notes	Province funds 2023 €	Diocesan funds 2023 €	Branch funds 2023 €	2023 €	2022 €
<b>Current assets</b>						
Investments- RCB	6	371,282	130,041	-	<b>501,323</b>	465,558
<b>Cash funds</b>						
Petty Cash		-	645	3,115	<b>3,760</b>	2,387
Current Accounts		74,262	68,629	41,732	<b>184,623</b>	181,113
Deposit Accounts		86,929	18,122	4,088	<b>109,139</b>	107,351
Stock	7	-	5,775	-	<b>5,775</b>	5,497
Debtors	8	3,159	2,259	-	<b>5,418</b>	6,168
		535,632	225,471	48,935	<b>810,038</b>	768,074
<b>Current liabilities</b>						
Creditors	9	(1,046)	(988)	-	<b>(2,034)</b>	(4,617)
Subscriptions in advance	10	-	(6,212)	(1,490)	<b>(7,702)</b>	(2,805)
		(1,046)	(7,200)	(1,490)	<b>(9,736)</b>	(7,422)
<b>Net current assets</b>						
		534,586	218,271	47,445	<b>800,302</b>	760,652
<b>Reserves</b>						
Unrestricted funds	11	79,248	54,296	47,445	<b>180,989</b>	176,748
Restricted funds	12	455,338	163,975	-	<b>619,313</b>	583,904
		534,586	218,271	47,445	<b>800,302</b>	760,652

The accounts on pages 5 to 15 were approved by the Board of Trustees on 28 September 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

**June Butler**  
All Ireland President



# Mothers' Union in Ireland (Republic of Ireland Activities)

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

### 1 Principal accounting policies

#### Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention, as modified by the valuation of investments, and in accordance with 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 (FRS 102) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). The principal accounting policies are set out below.

#### Scope of accounts

These financial statements incorporate the Republic of Ireland Activities of the Province, 8 Dioceses (2022: 9 Dioceses) and 94 Branches (2022: 101 Branches) of Mothers' Union in Ireland.

#### Functional currency

The presentation currency of the financial statements is the Euro (€).

#### Incoming resources

Incoming resources are received by way of donations and gifts and are included in full in the statement of financial activities upon receipt.

#### Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that 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. The main activity categories are:

- Raising funds
- Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to supply them.

#### Investments

Investments in RCB Unit Trusts are initially recorded at cost and are then subsequently stated at fair value at each year end date.

#### Stocks

Stocks are stated at lower of cost and net realisable value. Specific provision is made for obsolete and slow moving stock on an item by item basis.

#### Subscriptions in advance

Some member subscriptions are received in advance prior to the commencement for the following year and these are included under Liabilities.

#### Unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources received or generated which are expendable at the discretion of the charity in furtherance of its objectives.

#### Restricted funds

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objectives of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

**Mothers' Union in Ireland (Republic of Ireland Activities)**  
**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)**

**2 Incoming resources**

Incoming resources from generated funds	Unrestricted funds €	Restricted funds €	2023 Total €	2022 Total €
<b>2a Voluntary income:</b>				
Gifts	3,892	-	<b>3,892</b>	6,676
<b>Represented by:</b>				
Provincial income	220	-	<b>220</b>	480
Diocesan income	1,631	-	<b>1,631</b>	1,694
Branch income	2,041	-	<b>2,041</b>	4,502
Transfers of Income	-	-	-	-
	3,892	-	<b>3,892</b>	6,676
<b>2b Activities for generating funds:</b>				
Fundraising events	11,398	540	<b>11,938</b>	8,665
<b>Represented by:</b>				
Provincial income	400	540	<b>940</b>	997
Diocesan income	1,405	-	<b>1,405</b>	2,317
Branch income	10,133	-	<b>10,133</b>	6,841
Transfer of income	(540)	-	<b>(540)</b>	(1,490)
	11,398	540	<b>11,938</b>	8,665
<b>2c Investment income:</b>				
Bank interest received	49	26	<b>75</b>	12
RCB Dividend income	-	13,813	<b>13,813</b>	13,076
	49	13,839	<b>13,888</b>	13,088
<b>Represented by:</b>				
Provincial income	25	10,256	<b>10,281</b>	9,637
Diocesan income	21	3,583	<b>3,604</b>	3,451
Branch income	3	-	<b>3</b>	-
	49	13,839	<b>13,888</b>	13,088

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## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

### 2 Incoming resources (cont.)

Incoming resources from generated funds	Unrestricted funds €	Restricted funds €	2023 Total €	2022 Total €
<b>2d Charitable activities:</b>				
Members' subscriptions	46,392	-	<b>46,392</b>	51,294
Mums in May	-	868	<b>868</b>	1,898
Overseas funds	-	16,369	<b>16,369</b>	13,681
Centenary	-	4,685	<b>4,685</b>	1,903
Diocesan Away From It All	-	3,285	<b>3,285</b>	1,603
Conference	-	8,745	<b>8,745</b>	-
MU Enterprises	27,921	-	<b>27,921</b>	26,178
Merchandise Sales	1,116	-	<b>1,116</b>	760
Getaway Weekend	15,972	-	<b>15,972</b>	5,530
Other Diocesan Income	4,075	33	<b>4,108</b>	1,520
Other Branch Income	7,169	-	<b>7,169</b>	6,884
Transfers from N. Ireland Activities	2,475	-	<b>2,475</b>	844
	105,120	33,985	<b>139,105</b>	112,095
<b>Represented by:</b>				
Provincial income	62,555	36,248	<b>98,803</b>	61,539
Diocesan income	81,722	36,273	<b>117,995</b>	99,899
Branch income	57,275	14,366	<b>71,641</b>	68,510
Transfer of income	(96,432)	(52,902)	<b>(149,334)</b>	(117,853)
	105,120	33,985	<b>139,105</b>	112,095
<b>2e Other incoming resources</b>				
Sundry income	9,408	1,544	<b>10,952</b>	4,177
Outings	20,745	-	<b>20,745</b>	12,726
Grants	-	4,853	<b>4,853</b>	700
	30,153	6,397	<b>36,550</b>	17,603
<b>Represented by:</b>				
Provincial income	1,388	6,397	<b>7,785</b>	1,125
Diocesan income	13,819	-	<b>13,819</b>	15,063
Branch income	14,946	-	<b>14,946</b>	2,730
Transfer of income	-	-	<b>-</b>	(1,315)
	30,153	6,397	<b>36,550</b>	17,603

## Mothers' Union in Ireland (Republic of Ireland Activities)

### Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

#### 3 Resources expended

	Unrestricted funds €	Restricted funds €	2023 Total €	2022 Total €
<b>3a Raising funds:</b>				
Fundraising events	673	-	<b>673</b>	3,107
<b>Represented by:</b>				
Provincial expenditure	-	-	-	-
Diocesan expenditure	1,188	-	<b>1,188</b>	598
Branch expenditure	25	-	<b>25</b>	3,039
Transfer of expenditure	(540)	-	<b>(540)</b>	(530)
	673	-	<b>673</b>	3,107
<b>3b Charitable activities:</b>				
Mary Sumner House subscriptions	36,318	-	<b>36,318</b>	34,523
Getaway weekend expenses	15,659	-	<b>15,659</b>	8,380
Mums in May	-	5,167	<b>5,167</b>	800
Centenary	-	60	<b>60</b>	-
Overseas funds	-	16,405	<b>16,405</b>	10,170
MU Enterprises	28,010	-	<b>28,010</b>	23,666
Outings	20,184	-	<b>20,184</b>	13,003
Diocesan Away From It All	-	9,226	<b>9,226</b>	6,849
Grants	-	14,800	<b>14,800</b>	15,200
Priority fund expenses	-	-	-	395
Conference	-	19,122	<b>19,122</b>	-
Other projects	16,310	-	<b>16,310</b>	22,483
<b>Support costs</b>				
Wages	-	-	-	7,097
Rent	2,400	-	<b>2,400</b>	2,400
Website costs	1,043	-	<b>1,043</b>	649
Provincial Treasurer's fee and expenses	3,188	-	<b>3,188</b>	3,110
Meeting fees and travel costs	12,684	-	<b>12,684</b>	5,020
Stationery, photocopying & postage	4,407	-	<b>4,407</b>	1,942
Insurance	4,772	-	<b>4,772</b>	4,517

## Mothers' Union in Ireland (Republic of Ireland Activities)

### Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

#### 3 Resources expended (cont.)

	Unrestricted funds €	Restricted funds €	2023 Total €	2022 Total €
<b>3b Charitable activities (cont.):</b>				
Accountancy	960	-	<b>960</b>	875
Advertising	-	-	-	1,230
Bank fees	2,118	65	<b>2,183</b>	2,266
Other Provincial expenses	1,643	4,266	<b>5,909</b>	4,944
Other Diocesan expenses	5,022	-	<b>5,022</b>	3,614
Other Branch expenses	3,054	-	<b>3,054</b>	2,911
Allocation of support costs to NI activities	(26,068)	-	<b>(26,068)</b>	(21,871)
Transfer to N Ireland activities	-	-	-	2,651
	131,704	69,111	<b>200,815</b>	156,824
<b>Represented by:</b>				
Provincial expenditure	41,996	65,773	<b>107,769</b>	82,460
Diocesan expenditure	111,781	35,182	<b>146,963</b>	124,297
Branch expenditure	74,264	21,153	<b>95,417</b>	70,195
Transfer of expenditure	(96,337)	(52,997)	<b>(149,334)</b>	(120,128)
	131,704	69,111	<b>200,815</b>	156,824

#### 4 Taxation

Mothers' Union in Ireland is registered as a charity for tax purposes – registered number is 5161 (ROI).

#### 5 Staff costs

	2023 €	2022 €
Wages and salaries	-	7,097

No employees received emoluments in excess of €60,000.

#### 6 Current asset Investments

	2023 €
<b>Unlisted investments- RCB (restricted)</b>	
Opening valuation	465,558
Movement in fair value	35,765
Closing valuation	<b>501,323</b>

# Mothers' Union in Ireland (Republic of Ireland Activities)

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

### 7 Stocks

	2023	2022
	€	€
MU Enterprises stock	5,129	4,818
Pattern books	646	679
	<b>5,775</b>	<b>5,497</b>

### 8 Debtors

	2023	2022
	€	€
Subscriptions due	2,698	1,326
Prepayments	2,720	4,842
	<b>5,418</b>	<b>6,168</b>

### 9 Creditors

	2023	2022
	€	€
Accruals	2,034	4,617

### 10 Subscriptions in advance

	2023	2022
	€	€
Subscriptions paid in respect of the following year	7,702	2,805

### 11 Unrestricted Funds

	Province	Dioceses	Branches	Total
	€	€	€	€
Balance as at 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2023	60,842	71,782	44,124	<b>176,748</b>
Net movement of funds	18,406	(17,486)	3,321	<b>4,241</b>
	<b>79,248</b>	<b>54,296</b>	<b>47,445</b>	<b>180,989</b>

## Mothers' Union in Ireland (Republic of Ireland Activities)

### Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

#### 12 Restricted Funds

	Mums in May €	Overseas Funds €	Jubilee Keane €	Centenary funds €	Conference funds €	Chapel fund €	Diocesan AFIA €	Other funds €	Total funds €
<b>Province</b>									
Balance as at 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2023	19,827	15,770	15,810	359,977	23,683	2,024	-	-	<b>437,091</b>
Incoming resources	1,860	18,690	10	14,411	10,303	1	-	6,397	<b>51,672</b>
Resources expended	(13,962)	(15,017)	-	(11,170)	(16,756)	-	-	(2,913)	<b>(59,818)</b>
Transfer between funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Increase in valuation of investment	-	-	-	26,393	-	-	-	-	<b>26,393</b>
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2023</b>	<b>7,725</b>	<b>19,443</b>	<b>15,820</b>	<b>389,611</b>	<b>17,230</b>	<b>2,025</b>	-	<b>3,484</b>	<b>455,338</b>
<b>Dioceses</b>									
Balance as at 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2023	6,013	4,026	-	-	-	-	133,877	2,897	<b>146,813</b>
Incoming resources	6,380	13,420	-	1,124	-	-	7,761	33	<b>28,718</b>
Resources expended	(3,232)	(11,365)	-	(1,124)	-	-	(5,207)	-	<b>(20,928)</b>
Increase in valuation of investment	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,372	-	<b>9,372</b>
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2023</b>	<b>9,161</b>	<b>6,081</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>145,803</b>	<b>2,930</b>	<b>163,975</b>
<b>Branches</b>									
Balance as at 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2023	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incoming resources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Resources expended	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2023</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals</b>									
Balance as at 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2023	25,840	19,796	15,810	359,977	23,683	2,024	133,877	2,897	<b>583,904</b>
Incoming resources	8,240	32,110	10	15,535	10,303	1	7,761	6,430	<b>80,390</b>
Resources expended	(17,194)	(26,382)	-	(12,294)	(16,756)	-	(5,207)	(2,913)	<b>(80,746)</b>
Transfer between funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Increase in valuation of investment	-	-	-	26,393	-	-	9,372	-	<b>35,765</b>
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2023</b>	<b>16,886</b>	<b>25,524</b>	<b>15,820</b>	<b>389,611</b>	<b>17,230</b>	<b>2,025</b>	<b>145,803</b>	<b>6,414</b>	<b>619,313</b>

## **Mothers' Union in Ireland (Republic of Ireland Activities)**

### **Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)**

#### **12 Restricted Funds (cont.)**

##### **Mums in May**

Fundraising campaign inaugurated in 2012 to mark the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Mothers' Union in Ireland and continued triennially. Funds are raised for the work of Mothers' Union Worldwide, support of projects and the development of Mothers' Union in All-Ireland. It is administered by a sub-committee appointed by All-Ireland Trustees.

##### **Overseas Funds**

These are funds raised in Ireland and sent to the Mothers' Union in Mary Sumner House, London, for distribution to various overseas projects.

##### **Jubilee Keane**

These funds are specifically for office equipment and, should it be necessary, to fulfil any obligations on the winding up of the organisation.

##### **Centenary Fund**

Funds raised by members and invested following the centenary celebrations of Mothers' Union in Ireland in 1987, invested through RCB and income used to support ordinands training for ministry in the Church of Ireland. The fund is administered by a sub committee appointed by All-Ireland Trustees and grants are awarded annually.

##### **Conference Fund**

Funds set aside from members' subscriptions each year in order to provide a triennial residential training conference for diocesan officers.

##### **Chapel Fund**

Funds provided by Dioceses towards expenses relating to the Mothers' Union Chapel at Christ Church Cathedral, otherwise known as the Laurence O'Toole Chapel.

##### **Diocesan AFIA**

The Dioceses maintain funds to provide for 'Away from it all' (AFIA) holidays to enable families to spend time together through a short break or even daily outings.

##### **Other Funds**

The Province and Dioceses maintain other funds for specific purposes.

#### **13 Comparative figures**

The comparative figures have been shown, where possible, on a comparable basis to those of the current year.



## **Mothers' Union in Ireland (Republic of Ireland Activities)**

### **Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 (continued)**

#### **14 Transactions with the Trustees**

No Trustee received any remuneration during the year.

No Trustee or a person related to a trustee had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year.

#### **15 Governance Costs**

Governance costs of €4,148 were incurred during the year (2022: €3,985). These costs relate to fees paid to and expenses reimbursed to the Provincial Treasurer and the Independent Reviewer.

#### **16 Associated Charity**

Mothers' Union in Ireland is an independent charity affiliated to the Mothers' Union, an unincorporated charity regulated by the Charity Commissioners in England and Wales.