

**Mothers' Union in Ireland  
(Northern Ireland Activities)**

**Unaudited annual report  
for the year ended 31 December 2020**

# **Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities)**

## **Annual report for the year ended 31 December 2020**

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# Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities)

## Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2020

The Trustees submit their annual report and the unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020. 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

#### Northern Ireland:

Mothers' Union in Ireland is registered with the Charity Regulator in the Republic of Ireland, number 20007331. When possible, the charity intends to register with The Charity Commission NI as a section 167 institution. Individual dioceses have been registered separately.

#### Trustees

The Trustees who served during the year are:

June Butler- All Ireland President	Hilary Dring	Kaye Nesbitt
Kay Clarke- Vice President	Lucy Kavanagh	Jacqui Armstrong
Joy Gordon- Vice President	Irene Boyd	Hazel Speares
Patsy Devoy- Vice President	Sophia Dillon	Beth Wortley
Iris Suitor- Vice President	Roberta Macartney	Sylvia Wheatley
Lesley Bayley	Myrtle Nairn	Margaret Jacob
Sally Cotter	Karen Nelson	Clare Stewart

#### Others:

Vacant- Administrative officer  
 Andrea Thompson - Charity Co-ordinator  
 Rev. Ken Rue – 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 (Northern Ireland Activities) encompass the following Mothers' Union dioceses:

	Charity number
Armagh Diocesan Mothers' Union	102965
The Mothers' Union, Diocese of Clogher	100592
Mothers' Union Connor Diocese	101658
Derry and Raphoe Mothers' Union	100834
Mothers' Union Down & Dromore	105094

Only the Northern Ireland Activities of the above dioceses and their branches are included in these financial statements.

## **Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities)**

### **Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2020 (continued)**

#### **Governing document and structure (cont.)**

The Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh diocesan accounts are included in Mothers' Union (Republic of Ireland Activities) financial statements. One of its branches is located in Northern Ireland and its accounts are included in these financial statements.

#### **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.

Support for action against gender based violence, in particular raising awareness during the 16 Days of Activism against gender based violence.

Support for Indoor members through visiting, writing and a teleconferencing project. 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 Commission for Northern Ireland due to the objectives and activities it provides as outlined above.

# **Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities)**

## **Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2020 (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 deficit of £79,403 (2019: £14,870 Surplus).

#### **Covid 19**

The Trustees have considered the impact of Covid 19 on the charity in 2020. Due to an inability to meet in person during the pandemic, the level of income was reduced. This was partially compensated for by a reduction in overheads. This is expected to continue during 2021. The charity remains in a strong financial position.

### **Reserves policy and results**

Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities) had total reserves at 31 December 2020 of £292,097 (2019: £366,570).

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 16 for the year ended 31 December 2020 disclosing a deficit of £79,403 (2019: £14,870 Surplus). We confirm that we have made available all relevant records and information for their preparation.

*June Butler*

June Butler  
All-Ireland President  
Date: 9 October 2021

## **Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities)**

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

I report on the accounts for the Northern Ireland Activities of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020, which are set out on pages 5 to 16.

#### **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 my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act,
- 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. My 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.

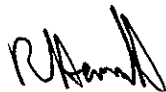
My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with 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 the Charities Act, 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 Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, 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: 9 October 2021

## Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities)

### Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 December 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2020 Total £	2019 Total £
<b>Incoming resources</b>					
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds</b>					
Voluntary income	2a	16,498	-	16,498	22,126
Activities for generating funds	2b	9,984	-	9,984	20,453
Investment income	2c	542	490	1,032	943
<b>Incoming resources from charitable activities</b>					
Charitable activities	2d	84,430	60,818	145,248	325,664
Other incoming resources	2e	4,468	1,125	5,593	2,935
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>115,922</b>	<b>62,433</b>	<b>178,355</b>	<b>372,121</b>
<b>Resources expended</b>					
<b>Charitable activities:</b>					
Raising funds	3a	931	-	931	1,470
Charitable activities	3b	167,685	89,953	257,638	358,122
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>168,616</b>	<b>89,953</b>	<b>258,569</b>	<b>359,592</b>
Net incoming resources		(52,694)	(27,520)	(80,214)	12,529
Gain/(loss) on investments	4	586	225	811	2,341
		(52,108)	(27,295)	(79,403)	14,870
Transfer between funds		(6,602)	6,602	-	-
<b>Net movement of funds</b>		<b>(58,710)</b>	<b>(20,693)</b>	<b>(79,403)</b>	<b>14,870</b>
Fund balances brought forward at 1 January 2020		267,503	99,067	366,570	178,482
Introduction of additional Fund balances at 1 January 2020.	9	4,930	-	4,930	173,218
<b>Fund balances carried forward at 31 December 2020</b>		<b>213,723</b>	<b>78,374</b>	<b>292,097</b>	<b>366,570</b>

## Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities)

### Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2020

	Note	Province funds 2020 £	Diocesan funds 2020 £	Branch funds 2020 £	2020 £	2019 £
<b>Current assets</b>						
Investments- RCB Unit Trust	4	-	24,711	-	24,711	23,900
Petty cash		-	276	6,007	6,283	2,170
Current accounts		69,662	85,892	120,181	275,735	360,193
Deposit accounts		-	-	4,521	4,521	1,010
Stock	5	-	380	-	380	685
Debtors	6	380	430	-	810	1,296
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>70,042</b>	<b>111,689</b>	<b>130,709</b>	<b>312,440</b>	<b>389,254</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>						
Creditors	7	(1,065)	-	(2,000)	(3,065)	(3,729)
Subscriptions in advance	8	-	(460)	(16,818)	(17,278)	(18,955)
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>(1,065)</b>	<b>(460)</b>	<b>(18,818)</b>	<b>(20,343)</b>	<b>(22,684)</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<b>68,977</b>	<b>111,229</b>	<b>111,891</b>	<b>292,097</b>	<b>366,570</b>
<b>Reserves</b>						
Unrestricted funds	10	14,632	90,499	108,592	213,723	267,503
Restricted funds	11	54,345	20,730	3,299	78,374	99,067
<b>Total Funds</b>		<b>68,977</b>	<b>111,229</b>	<b>111,891</b>	<b>292,097</b>	<b>366,570</b>

The accounts on pages 5 to 16 were approved by the Board of Trustees on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

*June Butler*

June Butler  
All Ireland President



# Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities)

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

### 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 Northern Ireland Activities of the Province, 5 Dioceses and 188 Branches (2019: 191 Branches) of Mothers' Union in Ireland.

#### Functional currency

The presentation currency of the financial statements is the pound sterling (£).

#### 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.

- *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.

- *Governance costs*

Governance costs include expenditure on administration of the charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, and an appropriate apportionment of indirect costs.

#### Investments

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

#### Stocks

Stocks are stated at the 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.

# Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities)

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 (continued)

### 1 Accounting policies (cont.)

#### 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

### 2 Incoming resources

Incoming resources from generated funds:	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2020 Total £	2019 Total £
<b>2a Voluntary income:</b>				
Gifts	16,498	-	16,498	22,126
<b>Represented by:</b>				
Provincial income	5,000	-	5,000	-
Diocesan income	3,452	-	3,452	3,177
Branch income	8,885	-	8,885	18,949
Transfers of Income	(839)	-	(839)	-
	16,498	-	16,498	22,126
<b>2b Activities for generating funds:</b>				
General fundraising events	9,984	-	9,984	20,238
Marketing resources	-	-	-	215
	9,984	-	9,984	20,453
<b>Represented by:</b>				
Provincial income	75	-	75	3,876
Diocesan income	-	-	-	5,055
Branch income	9,909	-	9,909	15,183
Transfers of Income	-	-	-	(3,661)
	9,984	-	9,984	20,453

## Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities)

### Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 (continued)

#### 2 Incoming resources (cont.)

Incoming resources from generated funds:	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2020 Total £	2019 Total £
<b>2c Investment income:</b>				
Bank interest received	173	8	181	192
RCB dividend income	369	482	851	751
	542	490	1,032	943
<b>Represented by:</b>				
Provincial income	-	-	-	-
Diocesan income	431	490	921	851
Branch income	111	-	111	92
	542	490	1,032	943
<b>2d Charitable activities:</b>				
Members' subscriptions	65,834	-	65,834	95,645
Mums in May	-	215	215	1,674
Marketing	-	-	-	646
Overseas Funds	-	43,669	43,669	61,572
Republic of Ireland Funds	225	800	1,025	2,676
MU Enterprises	6,173	-	6,173	9,483
Diocesan Away From It All	-	4,617	4,617	2,898
Other Provincial income	-	-	-	9,659
Other Diocesan income	823	-	823	9,402
Other Branch income	10,375	1,390	11,765	106,356
Transfers from Republic of Ireland Activities	1,000	10,127	11,127	25,653
	84,430	60,818	145,248	325,664
<b>Represented by:</b>				
Provincial income	117,255	68,787	186,042	226,143
Diocesan income	109,219	63,818	173,037	205,933
Branch income	80,428	40,074	120,502	259,715
Transfer of income	(222,472)	(111,861)	(334,333)	(366,127)
	84,430	60,818	145,248	325,664

## Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities)

### Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 (continued)

#### 2 Incoming resources (cont.)

Incoming resources from generated funds:	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2020 Total £	2019 Total £
<b>2e Other incoming resources</b>				
Sundry income	2,968	1,125	4,093	2,935
Grants	1,500	-	1,500	-
	4,468	1,125	5,593	2,935
<b>Represented by:</b>				
Provincial income	1,916	-	1,916	1,725
Diocesan income	1,892	-	1,892	-
Branch income	2,383	1,125	3,508	1,310
Transfer of income	(1,723)	-	(1,723)	(100)
	4,468	1,125	5,593	2,935

#### 3 Resources expended

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2020 Total £	2019 Total £
<b>3a Raising funds</b>				
Fundraising events	931	-	931	1,470
<b>Represented by:</b>				
Provincial expenditure	-	-	-	385
Diocesan expenditure	-	-	-	278
Branch expenditure	931	-	931	807
Transfers of Expenditure	-	-	-	-
	931	-	931	1,470

## Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities)

### Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 (continued)

#### 3 Resources expended (cont.)

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2020 Total £	2019 Total £
<b>3b Charitable activities</b>				
Mary Summer House subscriptions	61,161	-	61,161	62,370
Mary Summer House Emergency Appeal	29,245	-	29,245	-
Mums in May	91	13,000	13,091	3,693
Overseas funds	-	65,270	65,270	85,000
Marketing	-	-	-	270
Republic of Ireland funds	-	-	-	3,659
MU Enterprises	1,943	-	1,943	11,707
Diocesan Away From It All	192	3,908	4,100	3,077
Priority fund	550	-	550	-
Other projects	21,263	3,855	25,118	107,638
Donations/ appeal	-	-	-	-
<u>Support costs:</u>				
President's expenses	830	-	830	1,740
Meeting fees and travel costs	8,256	-	8,256	25,912
Stationery and postage	3,491	1,697	5,188	1,982
Focus printing and distribution	-	-	-	2,802
Insurance	2,197	-	2,197	1,778
Accountancy fees	1,000	-	1,000	2,000
Bank fees	3,244	122	3,366	4,104
Other Provincial Expenses	972	-	972	912
Other Diocesan Expenses	1,092	-	1,092	1,537
Other Branch Expenses	15,770	-	15,770	24,026
Contribution to ROI Costs	15,000	-	15,000	10,586
Transfers to ROI activities	1,388	2,101	3,489	3,329
<b>Total charitable activities</b>	<b>167,685</b>	<b>89,953</b>	<b>257,638</b>	<b>358,122</b>

#### Represented by:

Provincial expenditure	112,878	87,170	200,048	216,045
Diocesan expenditure	131,347	67,607	198,954	209,077
Branch expenditure	146,981	49,937	196,918	302,888
Transfers of expenditure	(223,521)	(114,761)	(338,282)	(369,888)
	<b>167,685</b>	<b>89,953</b>	<b>257,638</b>	<b>358,122</b>

## Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities)

### Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 (continued)

#### 4 Investments in RCB Unit Trust

	Unrestricted investments £	Restricted investments £	2020 Total £
Valuation at 1 January	17,261	6,639	23,900
Movement in fair value	586	225	811
Valuation at 31 December	17,847	6,864	24,711

#### 5 Stocks

	2020 Total £	2019 Total £
MU Enterprises stock	380	685

#### 6 Debtors

	2020 Total £	2019 Total £
Subscriptions due	-	903
Prepayments	810	393
	810	1,296

#### 7 Creditors

	2020 Total £	2019 Total £
Accruals	3,065	3,729

#### 8 Subscriptions in advance

	2020 Total £	2019 Total £
Subscriptions paid in respect of the following year	17,278	18,955

## Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities)

### Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 (continued)

#### 9 Introduction of additional fund balances

The following additional bank accounts not previously included in the accounts have been incorporated:

	Province £	Dioceses £	Branches £	Total £
Cash Funds	-	2,144	2,786	4,930
	-	2,144	2,786	4,930

#### 10 Unrestricted Funds

	Province £	Dioceses £	Branches £	Total £
Balance as at 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2020	5,541	104,487	157,475	267,503
Introduction of additional fund balances	-	2,144	2,786	4,930
Net movement of funds	9,091	(16,132)	(51,669)	(58,710)
	14,632	90,499	108,592	213,723

**Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities)**  
**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020**  
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**11 Restricted funds**

	Mums in May £	Overseas funds £	Marketing funds £	Euro funds £	Diocesan AFIA £	Other funds £	Total funds £
<b>Province</b>							
Balance as at 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2020	28,855	39,394	2,012	-	-	-	70,261
Incoming resources	1,635	67,519	-	-	-	-	69,154
Resources expended	(18,030)	(65,343)	(1,697)	-	-	-	(85,070)
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2020</b>	<b>12,460</b>	<b>41,570</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>54,345</b>
<b>Dioceses</b>							
Balance as at 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2020	1,462	6,507	-	-	3,461	10,811	22,241
Incoming resources	860	15,349	-	800	6,440	2,764	26,213
Increase in valuation of investment	-	-	-	-	225	-	225
Resources expended	(1,219)	(19,109)	-	(800)	(3,908)	(2,913)	(27,949)
Reallocation of fund	-	-	-	-	6,638	(6,638)	-
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2020</b>	<b>1,103</b>	<b>2,747</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12,856</b>	<b>4,024</b>	<b>20,730</b>
<b>Branches</b>							
Balance as at 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2020	-	5,122	-	500	-	943	6,565
Incoming resources	-	5,602	-	-	-	-	5,602
Resources expended	-	(7,425)	-	(500)	-	(943)	(8,868)
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2020</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,299</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,299</b>
<b>Totals</b>							
Balance as at 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2020	30,317	51,023	2,012	500	3,461	11,754	99,067
Incoming resources	2,495	88,470	-	800	2,764	6,440	100,969
Increase in valuation of investment	-	-	-	-	-	225	225
Resources expended	(19,249)	(91,877)	(1,697)	(1,300)	(2,913)	(4,851)	(121,887)
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2020</b>	<b>13,563</b>	<b>47,616</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,312</b>	<b>13,568</b>	<b>78,374</b>



## **Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities)**

### **Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 (continued)**

#### **11 Restricted funds (cont.)**

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

Fundraising campaign inaugurated in 2012 to mark 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.

##### **Marketing Funds**

Funds used for the promotion of Mothers' Union to members and the wider community.

##### **Euro Funds**

Funds maintained in Euro bank accounts for various purposes.

##### **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 Dioceses and Branches maintain other funds for specific purposes.

#### **12 Comparative figures**

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

#### **13 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.

#### **14 Governance Costs**

Governance costs of £1,000 were incurred during the year (2019: £2,000). These costs related to fees paid to the independent examiner.

## **Mothers' Union in Ireland (Northern Ireland Activities)**

**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020  
(continued)**

### **15 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.