Unaudited annual report for the year ended 31 December 2020

# Annual report for the year ended 31 December 2020

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# 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

#### 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	Irene
Kay Clarke- Vice President	Sally
Patsy Devoy- Vice President	Hila
Joy Gordon- Vice President	Jacq
Iris Suitor- Vice President	Robe
Sophia Dillon	Kare
Lesley Bayley	Haze

Irene Boyd Lucy Kavanagh
Sally Cotter Sylvia Wheatley
Hilary Dring Myrtle Nairn
Jacqui Armstrong Kaye Nesbitt
Roberta Macartney Beth Wortley
Karen Nelson Clare Stewart
Hazel Speares Margaret Jacob

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

· Cashel, Ferns and Ossory

• Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh

Clogher

- Limerick and Killaloe
- Cork, Cloyne and Ross
- Meath and Kildare

Derry and Raphoe

- · Tuam, Killala and Achonry
- Dublin and Glendalough

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.

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

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 Regulatory Authority due to the objectives and activities it provides as outlined above.

# 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 €34,499 (2019: €66,636 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 (Republic of Ireland Activities) had total reserves at 31 December 2020 of €723,989 (2019: €752,882).

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

#### Trustee' certificate

We approve the accounts set out on pages 5 to 16 for the year ended 31 December 2020 disclosing a deficit of €34,499 (2019: €66,636 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

# 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 2020, which are set out on pages 5 to 16.

# 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,
- 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: 9 October 2021

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

	Notes	Unrestricted funds €	Restricted funds €	2020 Total €	2019 Total €
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from generated funds	0-	9.402		8,693	5,099
Voluntary income	2a	8,693	-	ŕ	·
Activities for generating funds	2Ь	6,368		6,368	21,894
Investment income	2c	20	12,541	12,561	12,512
Incoming resources from charitable activities Charitable activities	2d	67,634	28,857	96,491	161,543
Other incoming resources	2e	5,188	-	5,188	2,109
Total incoming resources		87,903	41,398	129,301	203,157
Resources expended					
Charitable activities:					
Raising funds	3a	382	-	382	11,243
Charitable activities	3b	110,788	32,906	143,694	178,370
Total resources expended	***************************************	111,170	32,906	144,076	189,613
Net incoming resources		(23,267)	8,492	(14,775)	13,544
(Loss)/gain on investments	6	-	(19,724)	(19,724)	53,092
		(23,267)	(11,232)	(34,499)	66,636
		(4,667)	4,667	-	=
Transfer between funds					
Net movement of funds		(27,934)	(6,565)	(34,499)	66,636
Fund balances brought forward at 1 January 2020 Introduction of additional fund		197,120	555,762	752,882	613,132
balances at 1 January 2020	11	5,606	-	5,606	73,114
Fund balances carried forward at 31 December 2020		174,792	549,197	723,989	752,882

# Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2020

		Province funds 2020	Diocesan funds 2020	Branch funds 2020	2020	2019
	Notes	€	€	€	€	€
Current assets						
Investments- RCB	6	322,429	115,080	-	437,509	457,233
Cash funds						
Petty Cash		24	377	980	1,381	677
Current Accounts		51,466	81,623	45,633	178,722	181,977
Deposit Accounts		87,748	18,116	212	106,076	115,593
Stock	7	-	6,100	-	6,100	5,578
Debtors	8	4,693	92	-	4,785	6,701
		466,360	221,388	46,825	734,573	767,759
Current liabilities						
Creditors	9	(2,148)	-	-	(2,148)	(4,334)
Subscriptions in advance	10	-	(2,315)	(6,121)	(8,436)	(10,543)
		(2,148)	(2,315)	(6,121)	(10,584)	(14,877)
Net current assets		464,212	219,073	40,704	723,989	752,882
Reserves						
Unrestricted funds	12	56,269	77,819	40,704	174,792	197,120
Restricted funds	13	407,943	141,254		549,197	555,762
		464,212	219,073	40,704	723,989	752,882

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

# 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 Republic of Ireland Activities of the Province, 9 Dioceses and 111 Branches (2019: 116 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.

#### • 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 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

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

# 2 Incoming resources

Incoming resources from generated funds	Unrestricted funds €	Restricted funds €	2020 Total €	2019 Total €
2a Voluntary income:				
Gifts	8,693	-	8,693	5,099
Represented by:				333
Provincial income	4 146	-	4,146	1,737
Diocesan income	4,146	-	4,547	3,029
Branch income	4,547 8,693	-	8,693	5,099
2b Activities for generating funds: Fundraising events	6,368	-	6,368	21,894
Represented by:				
Provincial income	-	-	-	500
Diocesan income	2,207	-	2,207	5,860
Branch income	4,791	-	4,791	15,894
Transfer of income	(630)	u u	(630)	(360)
	6,368	-	6,368	21,894
2c Investment income:				
Bank interest received	20	10	30	114
RCB Dividend income	**	12,531	12,531	12,398
	20	12,541	12,561	12,512
Represented by:	_	0 - 1 -	0.477	0.100
Provincial income	9	9,245	9,254	9,120
Diocesan income	3	3,296	3,299	3,304
Branch income	8	-	8	88
	20	12,541	12,561	12,512

# 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 €
2d Charitable activities:				
Members' subscriptions	46,089	<u></u>	46,089	56,301
Mums in May	-	250	250	3,810
Marketing	-		-	400
Centenary	-	-		1,090
Conference	-	1,222	1,222	2,052
Diocesan Away From It All	-	847	847	1,985
Sterling Overseas funds	-	-	_	30,450
Overseas fund	-	13,123	13,123	-
Bishops' Appeal for Overseas Literacy Projects	_	10,056	10,056	-
MU Enterprises	16,891	-	16,891	21,907
Britain and Ireland Fund	_	-	-	714
Other Provincial Income	-	-	-	5,021
Other Diocesan Income	28	1,021	1,049	20,515
Other Branch Income	3,106	-	3,106	13,452
Transfers from N. Ireland Activities	1,520	2,338	3,858	3,846
	67,634	28,857	96,491	161,543
Represented by:				
Provincial income	54,607	32,120	86,727	62,020
Diocesan income	67,184	37,933	105,117	136,668
Branch income	47,100	9,458	56,558	87,384
Transfer of income	(101,257)	(50,654)	(151,911)	(124,529)
	67,634	28,857	96,491	161,543
2e Other incoming resources	1,000		1,000	2,109
Sundry income	4,188	_	4,188	2,107
Grants	5,188		5,188	2,109
	2,100			<u> </u>
Represented by:	1 007		1 227	1,019
Provincial income	1,337	-	1,337 3,094	3,223
Diocesan income	3,094	-	•	
Branch income	2,007	-	2,007	1,090
Transfer of income	(1,250)	_	(1,250)	(3,223)
	5,188	···	5,188	2,109

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

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

# 3 Resources expended

Insurance

	Unrestricted funds €	Restricted funds €	2020 Total €	2019 Total €
3a Raising funds:				
Fundraising events	382		382	11,243
Represented by:				A STATE OF THE STA
Provincial income	-	<b></b>	103	4 446
Diocesan income	382	-	382	4,446
Branch income	630	-	630	7,157
Transfer of income	(630)	-	(630)	(360)
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3b Charitable activities:	20.200		20 200	30,720
Mary Sumner House subscriptions	28,208	-	28,208 10,615	30,720
Mary Sumner House Emergency Appeal	10,615	2 (52	3,652	4,189
Mums in May	••	3,652	3,054	325
Chapel	wi	<del>-</del>	-	815
Marketing	-	<del>.</del>	-	5,354
Sterling overseas fund	-	-	2 00.4	3,334
Overseas funds	2,804	-	2,804	20.055
MU Enterprises	17,364	-	17,364	20,955 835
Britain and Ireland fund	125	0.050	125	
Diocesan Away From It All	1,481	2,372	3,853	6,142
Grants	12,000	••	12,000	9,000
Priority fund expenses	2,347	1.4.000	2,347	=
Literacy projects	-	14,376	14,376	20 740
Other projects	13,646	550	14,196	28,740
Support costs			1 105	10 77
Wages	4,435	-	4,435	12,776
Rent	2,400	-	2,400	2,550
Website costs	1,572		1,572	2,905
Provincial Treasurer's fee and expenses	3,039	-	3,039	1,556
Meeting fees and travel costs	5,132		5,132	11,619
Stationery & postage	4,590	81	4,671	2,739
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# 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 €
3b Charitable activities (cont.):				
Accountancy	1,000	-	1,000	=
Bank fees	2,475	75	2,550	2,176
Other Provincial expenses	3,217	-	3,217	3,630
Other Diocesan expenses	3,876	-	3,876	2,003
Other Branch expenses	1,530	_	1,530	6,801
Allocation of support costs to NI activities	(16,173)	-	(16,173)	(11,961)
Transfer to N Ireland activities	1,000	11,800	12,800	30,529
	110,788	32,906	143,694	178,370
Represented by:				10.010
Provincial income	62,189	21,634	83,823	69,812
Diocesan income	115,970	6,597	122,567	135,979
Branch income	90,270	195	90,465	100,331
Transfer of income	(157,641)	4,480	(153,161)	(127,752)
	110,788	32,906	143,694	178,370

#### 4 Taxation

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

# 5 Staff costs

	2020	2019
	€	$\epsilon$
Wages and salaries	4,435	12,776

No employees received emoluments in excess of 600,000.

# 6 Current asset Investments

	2020
	€
Unlisted investments- RCB (restricted)	
Opening valuation	457,233
Movement in fair value	(19,724)
Closing valuation	437,509

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

7 Stocks	2020	2019
	2020	
	€	€
MU Enterprises stock	5,394	5,536
Pattern books	706	42
	6,100	5,578
8 Debtors		
	2020	2019
	€	€
Subscriptions due	92	167
Prepayments	4,693	6,534
	4,785	6,701
9 Creditors		
	2020	2019
	$oldsymbol{\epsilon}$	€
Accruals	2,148	4,334
10 Subscriptions in advance	2020	2010
	2020	2019
	€	€
Subscriptions paid in respect of the following year	8,436	10,543

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

# 11 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	-	4,995	611	5,606
Cabit I tilido		4,995	611	5,606

# 12 Unrestricted Funds

	Province €	Dioceses €	Branches €	Total €
Balance as at 1st January 2020	54,735	79,108	63,277	197,120
Introduction of additional fund balances	1 534	4,995 (6.284)	611 (23,184)	5,606 (27,934)
Net movement of funds	1,534 56,269	77,819	40,704	174,792

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

# 13 Restricted Funds

	Mums in May E	Overseas Funds	Marketing funds E	Jubilee Keane E	Centenary funds E	Conference funds E	Chapel fund E	Diocesan AFIA E	Other funds $\epsilon$	Total funds E
Province Balance as at 1st January 2020 Incoming resources Resources expended Transfer between funds Increase in valuation of investment	23,361 - (11,469) -	23,179 (10,067)	1,173 - (86)	16,799	348,827 14,165 (9,000)	12,126 4,996 (11) 6,571	1,661 250		6,571	410,518 42,594 (30,633) - (14,536)
Balance as at 31 December 2020 Dioceses	11,892	13,112	1,087	16,803	339,456	23,682	1,911	E .	1	407,943
Balance as at 1st January 2020 Incoming resources Resources expended Increase in valuation of investment	400 3,700 (2,711)	1 1 1 1			700)		; t t 1	134,523 4,839 (2,372) (5,188)	9,621 11,262 (12,820)	145,244 19,801 (18,603) (5,188)
Balance as at 31 December 2020  Branches	1,389	1	a	1	3		1	131,802	8,063	141,254
Balance as at 1st January 2020 Incoming resources Resources expended	1 1 1		į į I	L 1 1	[ E ]	1 1 1	t t 1	a 1 1	1 1 1	1 1 1
Balance as at 31 December 2020  Totals	23.761		1 62	16791	349 527	12.126	1.661	134,523	16,192	555,762
Balance as at 1" January 2020 Incoming resources Resources expended Transfer between funds Increase in valuation of investment	3,700 (14,180)	23,179 (10,067)	(86)	16.803	14,165 (9,700) - (14,536)	4,996 (11) 6,571	250	4,839 (2,372) - (5,188)	11,262 (12,820) (6,571)	62,395 (49,236) - (19,724) 549,197
Balance as at 31 December 2020	197,61	77,177	τ,υοι,	70,000	3016/00	±0000	- + /6 T		23365	

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

#### 13 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.

#### Jubilee Keane

These funds are specifically for the provision of office equipment and, should it be necessary, to fulfil any administrative 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 generated 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 maintains a special fund for training and prior permission is required prior to utilising these funds. The Dioceses maintain other funds for specific purposes.

#### 14 Comparative figures

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

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

# 15 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.

#### 16 Governance Costs

Governance costs of €4,039 were incurred during the year (2019: €1,556). These costs related to fees paid to the independent examiner and the Provincial Treasurer and expenses reimbursed to the Provincial Treasurer.

# 17 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.