# THE MILITARY HERITAGE OF IRELAND TRUST CLG Annual Report and Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2020

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# THE MILITARY HERITAGE OF IRELAND TRUST CLG DIRECTORS AND OTHER INFORMATION

**Directors** 

Brigadier General Paul Pakenham (Retd)

Michael Nugent Brenda Malone Philip Hamell

Lt Col Kenneth L. Martin (Retd). (RBL IRL) (Appointed

18 August 2020)

Major General Sean Clancy (EX Officio) Brigadier General James Saunderson (Retd)

John Cullinane

Colonel Reginald Harvey Bicker (Retd) Colonel William H. Gibson (Retd)

Peter Bailie Lar Joye

John Francis Cogan

Brigadier General Paul Fry (Retd)

**Company Secretary** 

**Edmond Fogarty** 

Company Number

329565

**Charity Number** 

20203159

**Registered Office** 

Department of Defence

Station Road Newbridge Co. Kildare

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# THE MILITARY HERITAGE OF IRELAND TRUST CLG DIRECTORS' REPORT

for the financial year ended 31 December 2020

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2020.

### **Principal Activity**

The principal activity of the company is to promote a knowledge of the military heritage of Ireland.

The Company is limited by guarantee not having a share capital.

#### **Financial Results**

The deficit for the financial year amounted to €(256) (2019 - €(4,393)).

At the end of the financial year, the company has assets of €32,070 (2019 - €32,326) and liabilities of €431 (2019 - €431). The net assets of the company have decreased by €(256).

#### **Directors and Secretary**

The directors who served throughout the financial year, except as noted, were as follows:

Brigadier General Paul Pakenham (Retd)
Michael Nugent
Brenda Malone
Philip Hamell
Lt Col Kenneth L. Martin (Retd). (RBL IRL) (Appointed 18 August 2020)
Major General Sean Clancy (EX Officio)
Brigadier General James Saunderson (Retd)

John Cullinane

Colonel Reginald Harvey Bicker (Retd)

Colonel William H. Gibson (Retd)

Peter Bailie

Lar Joye

John Francis Cogan

Brigadier General Paul Fry (Retd)

The secretary who served throughout the financial year was Edmond Fogarty.

# Post Balance Sheet Events

The directors are closely monitoring the risks and uncertainties associated with the Covid-19 pandemic. The company has implemented HSE and Government advice. On this basis the directors consider that the company has adequate financial reserves to cope with the financial impact of Covid-19. Therefore the directors have deemed it appropriate to prepare the statutory financial statements on a going concern basis.

### **Auditors**

The auditors, Howlin O'Rourke Auditors & Accountants Ltd, (Certified Public Accountants & Statutory Audit Firm) have indicated their willingness to continue in office in accordance with the provisions of section 383(2) of the Companies Act 2014.

# **Accounting Records**

To ensure that adequate accounting records are kept in accordance with sections 281 to 285 of the Companies Act 2014, the directors have established appropriate books to adequately record the transactions of the company. The directors also ensure that the company retains the source documentation for these transactions. The accounting records are maintained at the company's office at Department of Defence, Station Road, Newbridge, Co. Kildare.

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Brigadier General Pa

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Director

Signed on

John Francis Cogan

Director

23 March 2021

# THE MILITARY HERITAGE OF IRELAND TRUST CLG DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

for the financial year ended 31 December 2020

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable Irish law and regulations.

Irish company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under the law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the Companies Act 2014 and FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", applying Section 1A of that Standard, issued by the Financial Reporting Council. Under company law, the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the company as at the financial year end date and of the surplus or deficit of the company for the financial year and otherwise comply with the Companies Act 2014.

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies for the company financial statements and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

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- state whether the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, identify those standards, and note the effect and the reasons for any material departure from those standards; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for ensuring that the company keeps or causes to be kept adequate accounting records which correctly explain and record the transactions of the company, enable at any time the assets, liabilities, financial position and surplus or deficit of the company to be determined with reasonable accuracy, enable them to ensure that the financial statements and Directors' Report comply with the Companies Act 2014 and enable the financial statements to be readily and properly audited. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed on behalf of the boar

Brigadier General Paul Fry (Ref Director

John Francis Cogan

Director

23 March 2021

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT to the Members of THE MILITARY HERITAGE OF IRELAND TRUST CLG

### Report on the audit of the financial statements

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of THE MILITARY HERITAGE OF IRELAND TRUST CLG ('the company') for the financial year ended 31 December 2020 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet, the Reconciliation of Retained Funds, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including the summary of significant accounting policies set out in note 2. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is Irish Law and FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", issued in the United Kingdom by the Financial Reporting Council, applying Section 1A of that Standard.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the company as at 31 December 2020 and of its deficit for the financial year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", applying Section 1A of that Standard; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (Ireland) (ISAs (Ireland)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are described below in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of financial statements in Ireland, including the Ethical Standard for Auditors (Ireland) issued by the Irish Auditing and Accounting Supervisory Authority (IAASA), and the Provisions Available for Audits of Small Entities, in the circumstances set out in note 4 to the financial statements, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

# Other Information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our Auditor's Report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

# Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2014

In our opinion, based solely on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, we report that:

- the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Directors' Report has been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2014.

We have obtained all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, are necessary for the purposes of our audit.

In our opinion the accounting records of the company were sufficient to permit the financial statements to be readily and properly audited. In our opinion the financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT to the Members of THE MILITARY HERITAGE OF IRELAND TRUST CLG

## Matters on which we are required to report by exception

Based on the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified any material misstatements in the Directors' Report. The Companies Act 2014 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion, the disclosures of directors' remuneration and transactions required by sections 305 to 312 of the Act, which relate to disclosures of directors' remuneration and transactions are not complied with by the company. We have nothing to report in this regard.

## Respective responsibilities

### Responsibilities of directors for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework that give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, if applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the company or to cease operation, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

# Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an Auditor's Report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (Ireland) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is contained in the appendix to this report, located at page 8, which is to be read as an integral part of our report.

# The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities

Our report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with section 391 of the Companies Act 2014. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditor's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume any responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Kieran Montgomery for and on behalf of

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23 March 2021

# THE MILITARY HERITAGE OF IRELAND TRUST CLG APPENDIX TO THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Further information regarding the scope of our responsibilities as auditor

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (Ireland), we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our Auditor's Report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our Auditor's Report. However, future events or conditions may cause the company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

# THE MILITARY HERITAGE OF IRELAND TRUST CLG INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

for the financial year ended 31 December 2020

	Notes	2020 €	2019 €
Income		1,150	1,220
Expenditure		(1,406)	(5,613)
Deficit for the financial year		(256)	(4,393)
Total comprehensive income		(256)	(4,393)

Approved by the board on 23 March 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Brigadier General Paul Fry (Retd)

Director

John Francis Cogan

Director

# THE MILITARY HERITAGE OF IRELAND TRUST CLG BALANCE SHEET

as at 31 December 2020

		2020	2019
	Notes	€	€
Current Assets Debtors	6	351	202
Cash and cash equivalents	0	31,719	283 32,043
		32,070	32,326
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	7	(431)	(431)
Net Current Assets		31,639	31,895
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		31,639	31,895
Reserves			
Income and expenditure account		31,639	31,895
Retained Funds		31,639	31,895

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

Approved by the board on 23 March 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Brigadier General Pau Fry (Retd)

Director

John Francis Cogan

Director

# RECONCILIATION OF RETAINED FUNDS

as at 31 December 2020	Retained surplus	Total	
	€	€	
At 1 January 2019	36,288	36,288	
Deficit for the financial year	(4,393)	(4,393)	
At 31 December 2019	31,895	31,895	
Deficit for the financial year	(256)	(256)	
At 31 December 2020	31,639	31,639	

	Notes	2020 €	2019 €
Cash flows from operating activities Deficit for the financial year		(256)	(4,393)
		(256)	(4,393)
Movements in working capital: Movement in debtors		(68)	1,195
Cash used in operations		(324)	(3,198)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year		(324) 32,043	(3,198)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	10	31,719	32,043

for the financial year ended 31 December 2020

### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

THE MILITARY HERITAGE OF IRELAND TRUST CLG is a company limited by guarantee incorporated in the Republic of Ireland

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements.

# Statement of compliance

The financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2020 have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102 Section 1A (Small Entities) and the Companies Act 2014.

## Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis and in accordance with the historical cost convention except for certain properties and financial instruments that are measured at revalued amounts or fair values, as explained in the accounting policies below. Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for assets. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is the Companies Act 2014 and FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" Section 1A, issued by the Financial Reporting Council.

The company qualifies as a small company as defined by section 280A of the Companies Act 2014 in respect of the financial year, and has applied the rules of the 'Small Companies Regime' in accordance with section 280C of the Companies Act 2014 and Section 1A of FRS 102.

#### Income

Income represents total grants, donations and ancillary amounts receivable during the year.

### Reserves Policy

The Trust receives donations from time to time which may be restricted or unrestricted, which are used for projects such as research, publications and museum installations, and to provide investment income towards on-going costs, where required.

The Trust meets it's objectives of promoting knowledge of Irish military by engaging in and supporting a range of activities and including providing advice and information on sources and other materials, sponsoring awards, and from time to time supporting research and specific heritage projects at museums. It's policy is to use donations received to fund or support the funding of such activities at appropriate times and having regard to the occasional nature of the donations.

### **Taxation**

The military heritage of Ireland trust CLG holds charitable status and on this basis is tax exempt. Registration is in place under the Charities regulatory authority reference 20041908.

# 3. DEPARTURE FROM COMPANIES ACT 2014 PRESENTATION

The directors have elected to present an Income and Expenditure Account instead of a Profit and Loss Account in these financial statements as this company is a not-for-profit entity.

## 4. PROVISIONS AVAILABLE FOR AUDITS OF SMALL ENTITIES

In common with many other businesses of our size and nature, we use our auditors to assist in the preparation of financial statements.

### 5. EMPLOYEES

The company did not have any employees in the year.

6. DEBTORS	2020	2019
	€	€
Prepayments	351	283

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	REDITORS mounts falling due within one year	2020 €	2019 €
A	ccruals	431	431

# 8. STATUS

The liability of the members is limited.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company in the event of its being wound up while they are members or within one year thereafter for the payment of the debts and liabilities of the company contracted before they ceased to be members and the costs, charges and expenses of winding up and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributors among themselves such amount as may be required, not exceeding € 2.

# 9. POST-BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

The directors are closely monitoring the risks and uncertainties associated with the Covid-19 pandemic. The company has implemented HSE and Government advice. On this basis the directors consider that the company has adequate financial reserves to cope with the financial impact of Covid-19. Therefore the directors have deemed it appropriate to prepare the statutory financial statements on a going concern basis.

10. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	2020 €	2019 €
Cash and bank balances Cash equivalents	471 31,248	295 31,748
	31,719	32,043

# 11. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 23 March 2021.

# THE MILITARY HERITAGE OF IRELAND TRUST CLG

# **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

# **RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

# FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

# NOT COVERED BY THE REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

THE FOLLOWING PAGES DO NOT FORM PART OF THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# THE MILITARY HERITAGE OF IRELAND TRUST CLG SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OPERATING STATEMENT

for the financial year ended 31 December 2020

	Schedule	2020 €	2019 €
Income Subscriptions		1,150	1,220
		1,150	1,220
Overhead expenses	1	(1,406)	(5,613)
Net deficit		(256)	(4,393)

# THE MILITARY HERITAGE OF IRELAND TRUST CLG SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SCHEDULE 1: OVERHEAD EXPENSES

for the financial year ended 31 December 2020

	2020 €	2019 €
Overhead Expenses	428	496
Insurance	54	54
Repairs and maintenance		4,284
Website Costs	311	
Printing, postage and stationery	•	101
Bank charges	46	49
General expenses	136	198
Auditor's remuneration	431	431
	1,406	5,613