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Chairman's Statement

I am pleased to submit the third Annual Report of the Little Flower Penny Dinners (LFPD) for the period ended 31st December 2018.

This report and the attached audited financial statements cover the period 1st July 2017 to 31st December 2018, which on a one-off basis, brings us in line with recognised reporting periods for Revenue etc.

The Little Flower Penny Dinners is a registered charity with the Charities Regulator and our policies are in line with the Charities Governance Code and its six principles.

The services we provide are much needed in the local community and beyond. It would not be possible to deliver these services without the support of our Donors. I wish to thank all those who have contributed to the Little Flower. Your donations, however small or large, are very much appreciated and are vital to enable us to provide the services we do.

I would like to pay special thanks to the Local Parish Team for their invaluable support and also to the various local community groups and individuals who continue to support the Little Flower.

We continue to engage with the local community providing facilities and services to many community groups.

Funding for charities is always a challenge and we at the Little Flower are developing a strategy for fundraising to secure our future and to allow us to provide services to people who need them.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to commend the Trustees, Board of Directors, Staff and Volunteers for their commitment and flexibility over the last 18 months, working to ensure that the Little Flower Penny Dinners objectives have been achieved.

Des Byrne
Chairman

Vision and Mission

We have a Vision where those in need receive, support, service and a place of welcome

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A Mission where the Little Flower Penny Dinners serves Food for the Body, Food for the Soul.

Who We Are and What We do

The Little Flower Penny Dinners has been in existence for over a century. We provide assistance and care to the needy in the community.

We were named in honour of Saint Thérèse of Lisieux, a Carmelite nun who inspired great devotion globally, following her death at the age of 24 in 1897.

In 1912, just 15 years after her death, the Little Flower Penny dinners was started Meath Street by the Parish and local community in response to great need.

We are one of Dublin's oldest Charities, Charity No. 6179.

In 2006 we became a limited company and are registered as Guild of the Little Flower Co. Limited, by Guarantee, t/a Little Flower Penny Dinners (LFPD).

Our committed team of Staff and Volunteers offer a warm and friendly welcome to all our clients.

The service is funded by donations and we ensure that all funds are used to develop and improve our overall service.

We have a proud history of service in the Liberties and surrounding areas and the contributions we receive help us to continue that worthy tradition.

Trustees & Board Members

Trustees

Mons. Paul Callan

Padraig Daly OSA

Mons. John Dolan

Richie Goode OSA

Conor Hickey

Imelda Wickham PBVM

Brigid Phelan PBVM

Board Members

Des Byrne (Chairman)

Brigid Phelan PBVM (Secretary)

Noel Fleming

John McGlynn

Michael McDonagh

Marcus Balfe

Susan Lynch

Little Flower Penny Dinners

Organisational Chart



Achievement in period Ended 31st December 2018.

Statement of Strategy

We have progressed with our Strategic Plan 2015-2020, which was developed by the Board, Staff and Volunteers.

The document sets out the vision and mission for the Little Flower Penny Dinners and has four main objectives:

- People
- Facilities
- Communities
- Fundraising

Building

We have continued to keep the premises in good order by carrying out a programme of regular general maintenance.

Core Activities

We continue to concentrate on our core activity which is the provision of meals and services within the community.

In 2018 we expanded our meals on wheels service delivering almost 25,000 meals per annum, over 365 days a year.

In total we serve over 73,500 meals annually including breakfast and lunch/dinner.

In addition, we provide a laundry service.

In providing these services many of the objectives outlined in the strategy have been achieved.

Outreach

The Guild of the Little Flower engages with Local Community Groups including the Local Parish Team, Liberties Cultural Association, Shannon's Hopeline, Meath Street Youth Activity Co., SICCDA, Robert Emmet Community Development Project, CORN (Community Organisation & Residents Network) and the Liberties Business forum to name but a few. We assist these groups with their endeavours.

Resources

We have been fortunate to date to receive donations that have sustained our operation at its current level of activity. In order to ensure continuity, we are embarking on a proactive fundraising project commencing fourth quarter 2019.

The operation functions with minimal resources and we are very fortunate with the level of volunteer assistance we receive on an ongoing basis.

Our administration is kept to a minimum whilst at the same time observing and adhering to all good governance practices.

Governance

The Guild of the Little Flower Co. Limited trading as Little Flower Penny Dinners is a Registered Charity, fully compliant with the Revenue, Companies Office and the Charities Regulator.

Future Plans and Challenges

- Continue to enhance our provision of meals and services to clients
- Continue to support and provide services/facilities to Local Community Groups
- Continue to develop staff and volunteers
- Review existing strategy plan and develop a new strategic plan for 2020-2025
- Develop a fundraising strategy
- Continue to enhance our governance structures in line with the requirements of the Charities regulator and best practice.

**GUILD OF THE LITTLE FLOWER CLG
(COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)**

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
PERIOD ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2018**

	Note	18 months ended 31/12/18 €	Year ended 30/06/17 €
Income		761,386	266,346
Gross income		<u>761,386</u>	<u>266,346</u>
Administrative expenses		(695,845)	(525,660)
Operating Surplus / (deficit) for the financial period 6		<u>65,541</u>	<u>(259,314)</u>
Other interest receivable and similar income	8	-	16
Surplus / (deficit) for the period		<u><u>65,541</u></u>	<u><u>(259,298)</u></u>

All the activities of the company are from continuing operations.

The company has no other recognised items of income and expenses other than the results for the period as set out above.

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 20th March 2019 and signed on behalf of the board by:

Sr Brigid Phelan
Director

Desmond Byrne
Director

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**BALANCE SHEET
31ST DECEMBER 2018**

	Note	31/12/18 €	€	30/06/17 €	€
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	9	5,392		14,737	
			5,392		14,737
Current assets					
Stocks	10	200		675	
Debtors	11	6,337		2,398	
Cash at bank and in hand		441,096		354,293	
		447,633		357,366	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(30,876)		(15,495)	
Net current assets			416,757		341,871
Total assets less current liabilities			422,149		356,608
Net assets			422,149		356,608
Reserves			422,149		356,608
Income and Expenditure account			422,149		356,608
Members funds			422,149		356,608

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**DETAILED INCOME STATEMENT (CONTINUED)
PERIOD ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2018**

	18 months ended 31/12/18	Year ended 30/06/17
	€	€
Income		
Lease income	17,846	13,510
HSE	24,017	17,676
Dinners	49,090	27,606
Laundry	2,213	1,743
Donations	396,730	197,870
Christmas Cards	2,030	710
Fundraising Events	18,200	222
Grotto	1,690	1,902
Mite Boxes	105	107
Wills / bequests	249,465	5,000
	<u>761,386</u>	<u>266,346</u>
 Overheads		
Administrative expenses		
Wages and salaries	345,653	199,598
Employer's PRSI contributions	34,584	19,895
Development Co-Ordinator	34,650	40,950
Training expenses	515	1,880
Donations / gratuity	3,300	8,379
Supplies	85,322	82,926
Rates	2,515	1,595
Insurance	4,653	4,701
Light and heat	34,338	23,594
Cleaning charges	21,832	20,145
Repairs and maintenance	39,351	18,072
Refurbishment costs	15,248	60,377
Office and Administration	4,156	2,750
Advertising	28,058	13,136
Telephone	7,714	4,630
Computer costs	6,001	2,849
Transport	9,194	6,039
Auditors remuneration	2,595	1,700
Bank charges	1,496	1,621
General expenses	5,325	2,757
Depreciation of tangible assets	9,345	8,066
	<u>(695,845)</u>	<u>(525,660)</u>
 Operating Surplus / (deficit)	 65,541	 (259,314)
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