

Review of the year's activities.

### **1. Banking**

No major issues.

The bank continued to charge £5 per month for the current account, as well as charges for various other services. This banking charge is about to be dropped, by the bank itself.

We mainly use online banking and David Flunder remains back up to me in that process. Although cheques are rarely written, I have updated the signatories with the bank. This current signatories are myself, Sue Burns and David Flunder.

### **2. Membership fees**

Fees were at £80 per person, for the autumn and spring terms, decreasing to £60 for the summer term.

### **3. Gift Aid**

I claimed £3300 of Gift Aid money this year.

### **4. Charity Commission**

I submitted the annual report to the Charity Commission and updated the Trustees' list as appropriate.

### **5. Insurance company**

No issues with Making Music. Accounts show we paid for a year's subscription in this financial year.

### **6. Accounts**

I have had this year's accounts audited by the same accountant we used last year. The accounts are fairly self-explanatory in the format that he has presented them to you.

Things worthy of note are as follows:

#### **1. Performances profit/loss**

St Thomas's concert £495

Summer concert profit= £115

MF Donington concert donation £125

## **2. Donations/Fundraising**

### **Belinda's Fund**

In April 2025, £20,000 donation. Invested in bonds at UTB bank (charitable bond). £10,000 of this was eligible for gift aid. This was also invested in a bond at UTB bank.

In addition, we received donations of £200 from Boston Masonic Lodge, thanks to Cilla. We also received £250 from Staples vegetables, thanks to Anthony.

## **3. Income and expenses**

**Income profit** (cf expenses) **£26079.02** ( £94.59 loss last year).

Current account balance **1st September 2025 = £ 2831. (income £5810 expenses £4394)**

Deposit Account is **£1612**

## **7. Future projections**

The financial position has obviously improved, given the increased numbers Member numbers increased fees and large donation. We need several years of this to continue for our position to be financially secure. Our profits this year are chiefly related to donations as expenses obviously go up

Currently, our monthly outgoings based on rehearsals alone are between £530 and £600, dependant on number of rehearsals per month.

I am happy for the membership fees to remain at £60 per term for the time being. I will obviously try to minimise this if I possibly can, but this is dependent on membership numbers and plans for the development of the choir. We are already approaching things differently this year in terms of publicity and music purchase which the choir needs for a solid way forward.

Obviously it is very difficult to predict financial security in the long term. Hence, any source of income is gratefully received.

We also now need thoughts about Belinda's fund and how we are to use it.

Anna Zahorski  
Treasurer BCS  
9th October 2025

## Boston Choral Society

### Reciepts & Payments Account for the year ended 31 August 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Receipts</b>		
Members subscriptions	#REF!	1,980.00
Fund raising events and activities	#REF!	542.67
Concert ticket sales	#REF!	1,883.18
Donations	#REF!	335.00
Gift Aid	#REF!	380.00
Interest received	#REF!	38.81
	#REF!	5,159.66
<b>Payments</b>		
Hall hire	#REF!	1,386.00
Bank charges	#REF!	60.00
Music Director fees	#REF!	1,839.95
Accompanist fees	#REF!	1,428.00
Music hire	#REF!	40.00
Insurance	#REF!	225.30
Website	#REF!	30.00
Miscellaneous	#REF!	245.00
	#REF!	5,254.25
Excess/(Deficit) of Income over Expenditure	#REF!	-94.59

### Balance Sheet

as at 31 August 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Bank - current account	#REF!	1,281.81
Bank - deposit account	#REF!	2,082.47
UTB investment bonds	#REF!	
Total Assets	#REF!	3,364.28
<b>General Reserve</b>		
as at 1 September 2025	#REF!	3,458.87
(Deficit)/Excess of Income over Expenditure	#REF!	-94.59

Total Reserves

#REF!

3,364.28



# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

## Section A

## Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name  
BOSTON CHORAL SOCIETY

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 AUGUST 2025

Charity no  
(if any)

1040093

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Respective  
responsibilities of  
trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent  
examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent  
examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

09/09/2025

Name:

Nicholas Hall

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

Chartered Accountant

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