

Registered Charity No: 1050107

SOUTHAMPTON PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY

**ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 JULY 2024**

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ACCOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 JULY 2023

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 JULY 2024

The Committee of Southampton Philharmonic Society (the "Society") present their annual report together with the accounts of the Society for the year ended 31 July 2024. The committee confirm that the annual report and accounts for the charity comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charity's governing document and the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2016) ("SORP (FRS102)").

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity Number

1050107

Principal Address

9 Stoke Common Road, Bishopstoke, Eastleigh SO50 6DW

Bankers

CAF Bank

Independent Examiner

Julia Webb

101 Alma Road

Southampton

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Constitution

Southampton Philharmonic Society ("the Society") was established in 1874 and is registered as Charity number 1050107. It is an unincorporated association governed by a constitution, which has been amended from time to time. Its assets rest in the Trustees, who ensure that a committee of elected and ex officio officers carries out the management of the Society.

The Trustees

The Society's Trustees, under charity legislation, are the elected members of the committee and ex officio chair. They represent interests of the members and have the skills necessary to accept responsibility for the maintenance of the Society's assets and for the oversight of others, members and non-members, who voluntarily assist the society.

Ex officio appointments are made by the committee, all other committee members are elected by members at the Annual General Meeting. It is anticipated that the committee should have the skills necessary to manage the affairs of the Society for the benefit or the musical education of its members and of the wider population around Southampton and Hampshire.

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Current Committee

Kate Greaves (Chair)
John Newell (Vice Chair)
Deborah Mitchell (Secretary)
Michael Kelly (Treasurer)
James Atkins
Jon Blaine

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Katharine Ingram
Sarah Mitchell
Margaret Moules
Allan Pollock
Susan Stephenson

The Musical Director of the Society, David Gibson, and the Deputy Conductor/Rehearsal Accompanist, Paul Spanton, are ex-officio members of the committee, but are not Trustees.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objectives of the Society as set out in its constitution are to promote, improve, develop and maintain public education in, and appreciation of, the art and science of music in all its aspects by the presentation of public concerts and recitals and by such other ways as the Society through its committee shall determine from time to time.

Activities in the year to 31 July 2024

The Choir held three concerts during the year. In December 2023, we performed a programme of music by Vaughan Williams with the Docklands Sinfonia, in the O2 Guild Hall, Southampton.

In March 2024, we performed the Mass in Blue by Will Todd, together with pieces by George Shearing and Eric Whitacre in the O2 Guildhall with the Will Todd Ensemble. In June 2023, we performed a selection of choral classics from the Baroque to the 21st century at Romsey Abbey, under the title 'Heavenly Voices'.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The membership of the choir rose to 141 singers during the year.

The first two concerts were performed by the full choir. The third concert was performed by 100 singers, because of reduced space at the venue. The audience attendances were higher than in last year and almost all tickets for the Romsey concert were sold. In addition, a group of choir members performed for a charity concert in Lyndhurst at the beginning of the year.

The choir's finances were subject to continuing uncertainty as attendances still fell below pre-pandemic levels. However, this difficulty was offset by reducing costs for musicians and soloists in the second and third concerts. The buoyant sales of tickets for the third concert meant that the year's financial outcome was positive.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

The financial position of the Society is set out in the Statement of Financial Activities, Balance Sheet and the related notes. These have been prepared in accordance with the statutory requirements of the Charities Act 2011 and SORP (FRS102). The related notes may assist in interpreting the accounts. All figures are taken from the accounts for the year to 31 July 2024.

The Society's main sources of income in the year were members' subscriptions £20,143 and sales of tickets for concerts £18,225. The main expenditure was on the concert programme, including rehearsals and workshops, totalling £47,733. The Net Movement in Funds for the period of twelve months was a surplus of £3,080. Reserves (Unrestricted Funds) increased from £81,547 to £84,627 to as at 31st July 2024.

The policy of the Trustees and the committee is that the society should maintain sufficient working capital in order to cover potential losses over five years, plus a modest contingency fund.

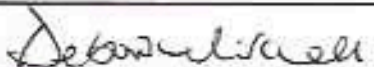
No attempt has been made to record the amount of personal expenses incurred by committee members but for which no claim has, or will be, made. These expenses, in effect, are an additional donation to the Society for which the Society is very grateful.

Going Concern Basis

The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis as in the opinion of the Trustees there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

The Trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:-

Signature




Full name

Deborah Mitchell

Position

Secretary



Michael Kelly

Treasurer

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REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE MEMBERS OF SOUTHAMPTON PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY

I report on the accounts of Southampton Philharmonic Society for the year ended 31st July 2024, which are set out on pages 6 to 10.

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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that independent examination is ~~mandatory~~.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the commission under section 145(5)(b)
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required by 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 next statement.

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 2011 Act and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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.

Name JULIA WEBB
Address 101 ALMA ROAD
SOUTHAMPTON
SO14 6UY
Signed

Julia Webb
date 12/9/24

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 JULY 2024

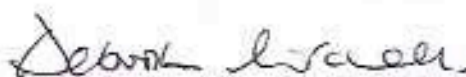
	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Income from					
Donations and legacies	2	1,107	0	1,107	1,304
Charitable activities	3	51,438	0	51,438	32,557
Total income		<u>52,545</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>52,545</u>	<u>33,861</u>
Expenditure on					
Charitable activities					
Concert expenditure	4	47,733	0	47,733	45,820
Subscriptions/insurance	5	599	0	599	570
Bank charges		60	0	60	60
Other expenses		983	0	983	310
Total resources expended		<u>49,375</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>49,375</u>	<u>46,760</u>
Net movement in funds	6	3,170	0	3,170	-12,899
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		81,547	0	0	94,446
Total funds carried forward		<u>84,717</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>84,717</u>	<u>81,547</u>

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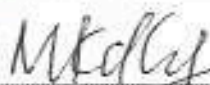
BALANCE SHEET FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 JULY 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank		62315.55	59,595
Cash on deposit		23093.74	21,952
Total Current Assets		<u>85,409</u>	<u>81,547</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year		-	-
NET ASSETS		<u>85,409</u>	<u>81,547</u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds		<u>85,409</u>	<u>81,547</u>

The Accounts were approved by the Trustees on 7th October 2024 and are signed on their behalf by:



Deborah Mitchell - Secretary



Michael Kelly - Treasurer

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 JULY 2024

- 1** The accounts of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102) "Accounting and Reporting by 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", the Charities Act 2011 and the governing document.

The accounts for financial year ended 31 July 2024 are prepared on a cash basis and under FRS102.

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Donations	1107.07	0.00	1107.07	304.17
Legacies	0.00	0.00	0.00	1000.00
	1107.07	0.00	1107.07	1304.17

3 Income from charitable activities

			Total 2024	2023
			£	£
Subscriptions and sponsors	20142.64	0.00	20142.64	18848.80
Gift Aid	7085.75	0.00	7085.75	0.00
Bank interest	1274.81	0.00	1274.81	795.77
Sundry general income	320.50	0.00	320.50	37.50
Ticket sales	18224.54	0.00	18224.54	10288.00
Programme sales	1241.30	0.00	1241.30	795.95
Sale & Hire of music	2991.22	0.00	2991.22	1662.73
Workshop income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sundry concert income	157.15	0.00	157.15	127.83
	51437.91	0.00	51437.91	32556.58

4 **Concert expenditure**

Includes rehearsals and workshops

		Total 2024	2023
		£	£
Soloists & Conductor	15887.50	15887.50	13807.50
Orchestras & hire of music	14266.14	14266.14	15965.90
Venue Hire	11940.87	11940.87	11445.53
Programme costs	581.00	581.00	536.00
Publicity	1683.61	1683.61	1822.37
Commission on ticket sales	140.00	140.00	0.00
Performing Rights Society	0.00	0.00	0.00
Purchase and hire of music	2679.33	2679.33	1550.73
Workshops	0.00	0.00	320.00
Miscellaneous expenditure	554.98	554.98	371.90
		47733.43	45819.93

5 **Other expenses**

			Total 2024	2023
			£	£
Bank charges	60.00	0.00	60.00	60.00
Subscriptions	599.00	0.00	599.00	570.00
Sundry Expenditure	982.95	0.00	982.95	309.85
			1641.95	939.85

6 **Net movement in funds**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources	52454.98	0.00	52454.98	33861.00
Resources expended	(49375.38)	0.00	(49375.38)	(46760.00)
Net movement	3079.60	0.00	3079.60	(12899.00)
Opening balance	81546.93	0.00	81546.93	94446.00
Closing balance	84626.53	0.00	84626.53	81546.93

9 **Trustees remuneration**

The trustees received no remuneration (nil) during the year.