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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

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CAVATINA CHAMBER MUSIC TRUST

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Registered Charity Number: 1067716

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

The Trustees present their annual report for the year ended 31 July 2025 under the Charities Act 2011, together with the financial statements for the year, and confirm that the latter comply with the requirements of the Act and the Trust Deed.

Structure, Governance & Management

Governing Document

The charity is governed by its Trust Deed, dated 14 October 1997.

Trustees

The Trustees who served throughout the year are set out on page 1.

Risk Policy

The Trustees undertake periodic risk assessments and arrange protective insurance when considered appropriate.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the Trustees to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the charity, at a level, which equates to twelve months unrestricted expenditure. This provides sufficient funds to cover management and administration and support costs and to respond to any significant reduction in funds from donors. Unrestricted funds (including designated funds - which are by definition also unrestricted) were at this level at the end of the year.

Investment Policy

Endowment, dedicated, and restricted funds will be invested in vehicles yielding the highest rate of income available and at the lowest risk. Investments will be for short periods not exceeding six months, unless the Board decides otherwise. This would allow the Trust to move funds at short notice to new investment opportunities resulting from changes in the financial markets.

Volunteer Management Policy

The Trust values all its volunteer helpers and truly appreciates the dedication and hard work displayed by them in the pursuance of their respective tasks.

The management of the work of the volunteers is coordinated by the Executive Trustee and Chief Executive Officer. It is expected that the apportionment of duties will be fair, equitable, and suitable to the competencies and abilities of each respective individual.

Any concerns, disputes, or complaints should be brought to the attention of the Executive Trustee who, in turn, will comply with the Trust's Complaints Policy.

Conflict of Interest

Trustees' personal and professional connections can bring benefits to the work of a charity and they often form part of the reason why an individual has been asked to join as a Trustee. However, they can give rise to conflicts of interest, to which the Trustees must respond effectively.

Trustees must declare to the Board any event or situation from which they are likely to gain a personal or pecuniary advantage by virtue of their trusteeship. A register of such declarations will be made available and will be kept up-to-date. Declaring personal advantage is required by law.

In case of doubt whether a conflict of interest exists, Trustees are invited to raise the issue with the co-Trustees and have the matter discussed and clarified. Professional legal advice will be sought where appropriate.

People

The Trust seeks to attract and retain:

- High quality personnel dedicated to enhancing the Trust's mission;
- Enthusiastic volunteers;
- Effective Trustees with a wide range of skills.

Public Benefit

The Trustees have referred to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its future activities. In particular, the Trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives of the charity.

Objectives & Core Activities

The charity's principal objects are the advance of music education and the promotion of public appreciation and study of music amongst the young, especially with regard to chamber music. The charity's mission is summarised in its motto: '**CAVATINA** brings chamber music to young people, and young people to chamber music.'

Complaints Policy

It is expected that anyone wishing to make a complaint against **CAVATINA** will, in the first instance, try to resolve the issue at the point of origin with mutual respect and polite good manners. If a formal complaint needs to be formulated it should be directed in the first place to the Executive Trustee. The complaint will be carefully considered and the Trustee's findings reported to the Chairman at the time of the complaint and to the complainant at the earliest possible date.

Strategies

The principal strategies employed to achieve the Trust's aims are:

Ticket Scheme

CAVATINA's Ticket Scheme is a mechanism that allows young people to access world-class chamber music at venues across the country, without incurring entry costs themselves. CAVATINA pays the promoter a subsidy (£10 per person) for each young person (aged 8-25, inclusive) who attends, in turn often helping music clubs and societies boost their revenue. The ticket scheme was paused in February 2025, but we honoured existing commitments to the end of July 2025.

CAVATINA Intercollegiate Chamber Music Competition

This year's competition was held at Wigmore Hall on 16 May 2025. The competition saw 8 string quartets from Conservatoires across the country competing for first, second and the audience prize. The competition was adjudicated by Brian O'Kane.

Due to the success of livestreaming in previous years, the competition was livestreamed again. The footage was then available on the Wigmore Hall website until the audience vote closed.

Wigmore Hall Trust

Most of CAVATINA's day-to-day work – namely the Ticket Scheme – is paid for from the 'CAVATINA Fund' held by Wigmore Hall Trust.

This fund was established in order to bring the two charities into a closer working relationship ahead of Wigmore Hall Trust's appointment as the sole corporate trustee of CAVATINA.

Acknowledgements

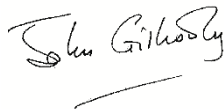
Benefactors & Sponsors

The Trustees wish to thank the Laurie and Gillian Marsh Charitable Trust, Jean Cangle, Hedley Ramshaw and several anonymous donors for their support during the 2024/25 financial year.

Financial Review

Accounting & Reporting Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.



John Gilhooly
Director of Wigmore Hall

Trustee – 20 May 2026

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE CAVATINA CHAMBER MUSIC TRUST
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025**

CHARITY NUMBER 1067716

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the **CAVATINA** Chamber Music Trust for the year ended 31 July 2025 which are set out on pages 7 to 12 following.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

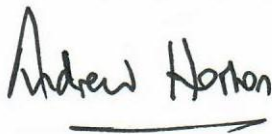
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which give me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Andrew Horton MA FCA

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20 May 2026

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Date

CAVATINA CHAMBER MUSIC TRUST

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>Unrestricted funds £</u>	<u>Designated funds £</u>	<u>Restricted funds £</u>	<u>Endowment funds £</u>	<u>Total Funds 2025 £</u>	<u>2024 £</u>
Receipts							
Donations and legacies	2(a)	39,164	-	2,735	-	41,899	28,172
Charitable Activities	2(b)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Income from investments	2(c)	6,664	-	-	3,571	10,235	10,621
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Total Receipts		45,828	-	2,735	3,571	52,134	38,793
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Payments							
Costs of generating funds	3(a)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	3(b)	56,845	10,605	-	-	67,450	19,590
Other	3(c)	-	-	-	-	-	-
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		56,845	10,605	-	-	67,450	19,590
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Asset and Investment Purchases		-	-	-	-	-	-
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Total Payments		56,845	10,605	-	-	67,450	19,590
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Net Receipts (Payments)		(11,017)	(10,605)	2,735	3,571	(15,316)	19,203
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Transfers between funds		3,571	-	-	(3,571)	-	-
Investments transferred between funds at cost		-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash Funds brought forward at 1 August 2024		19,694	10,605	19,960	305	50,564	31,361
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Cash Funds carried forward at 31 July 2025		12,248	-	22,695	305	35,248	50,564
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The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these accounts

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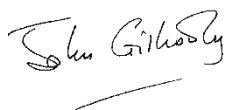
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AS AT 31 JULY 2025

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2025</u> <u>£</u>	<u>2024</u> <u>£</u>
Investment Assets			
Rathbones Portfolio (at cost)	5	300,000	300,000
Cash Assets			
Cash at bank and in hand	5	35,248	50,564
Total Assets		335,248	350,564
Capital Funds			
Unrestricted		207,248	214,694
Designated	4	-	10,605
Restricted	4	22,695	19,960
Endowment	4	105,305	105,305
		335,248	350,564

20 May 2026

Approved by the Trustees on



John Gilhooly
Director of Wigmore Hall

Trustee

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these accounts

CAVATINA CHAMBER MUSIC TRUST

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

1. Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on a payments and receipts basis in accordance with the Charities Act 2011, regulations made thereunder, and guidance from the Charity Commission in England and Wales.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the accounts are set out below.

Receipts

All incoming resources are recognised when received.

Payments

All expenditure is accounted for when paid and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

Investment income

Income from investments is accounted for when received.

Taxation

As a registered charity the trust benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

Fund accounting

General funds represent the funds of the trustees that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the trustees. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the trustees are also unrestricted.

Designated funds may also include funds where as a result of preferences expressed by donors, but without the imposition of any legal trust on the use of the funds, the trustees feel it is appropriate to set aside these funds for the designated purposes of:

- Providing assistance to young chamber musicians in need in the advancement of their musical training
- Providing assistance to individual and groups of musicians in the advancement of chamber music.

The trustees review the purpose and requirement for designated funds on a regular basis.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the accounts.

Endowment funds are funds the capital of which must be maintained. Only income arising from the investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending on the purpose for which the endowment was established.

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2. Receipts

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds	
					2025 £	2024 £
(a) <i>Donations and legacies:</i>						
Gifts and donations	23,998	-	-	-	23,998	22,839
Gift aid tax recovered	15,166	-	2,735	-	17,901	5,333
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	39,164	-	2,735	-	41,899	28,172
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(b) <i>Charitable Activities</i>						
Ticket sales etc	-	-	-	-	-	-
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(c) <i>Income from investments</i>						
Dividends	6,632	-	-	3,571	10,203	10,548
Bank deposit interest	32	-	-	-	32	73
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	6,664	-	-	3,571	10,235	10,621
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Total Receipts	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	45,828	-	2,735	3,571	52,134	38,793
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3. Payments

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds	
					2025 £	2024 £
(a) <i>Costs of generating funds</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-
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(b) <i>Charitable Activities</i>						
Ticket scheme	56,785	10,605	-	-	67,390	19,530
Payments to artists for concerts etc	-	-	-	-	-	-
Administration	60	-	-	-	60	60
Scholarships and competitions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chamber music at music colleges	-	-	-	-	-	-
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	56,845	10,605	-	-	67,450	19,590
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(c) <i>Other</i>						
Examiner's fee	-	-	-	-	-	-
Legal Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-
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	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Total Payments	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	56,845	10,605	-	-	67,450	19,590
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4. Fund Details

- a) The designated fund, initially £50,000, represents a donation from a **CAVATINA** benefactor for the specific purpose of providing free tickets to young people aged 8 to 25 years under the **CAVATINA** Ticket Scheme at the Wigmore Hall. The balance was transferred to the Wigmore Hall.

	<u>Funds at</u> <u>2024</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Payments</u>	<u>Funds at</u> <u>2025</u> <u>£</u>
The Wigmore Hall	10,605	-	10,605	-
	<u>10,605</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,605</u>	<u>-</u>

- b) The restricted funds comprise:

- the *Wihan Circle Fund* which provides financial assistance to musicians and chamber music ensembles.
- the *McLeod Fund* which helps to subsidise **CAVATINA**'s Ticket Scheme members in Scotland only.

	<u>Funds at</u> <u>2024</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Payments</u>	<u>Funds at</u> <u>2025</u> <u>£</u>
The Wihan Circle	13,670	2,735	-	16,405
The McLeod Fund	6,290	-	-	6,290
	<u>19,960</u>	<u>2,735</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,695</u>

- c) The endowment fund was established by the trustees in 2007 after receiving a substantial legacy; there were no conditions imposed by the donor but at the time the trustees thought it appropriate to set aside the money as a permanent fund, the income from which might be used for the work of **CAVATINA**.

During the year ended 31 July 2019, the trustees transferred £200,000 of this fund to The Wigmore Hall Trust to secure the Free **CAVATINA** ticket scheme at the Wigmore Hall, London and a further £141,787 was transferred in the year ended 31 July 2023.

	<u>Funds at</u> <u>2024</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Payments</u> <u>and</u> <u>Transfers</u>	<u>Funds at</u> <u>2025</u> <u>£</u>
The Endowment Fund	105,305	3,571	3,571	105,305
	<u>105,305</u>	<u>3,571</u>	<u>3,571</u>	<u>105,305</u>

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5. Analysis of funds

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds 2025 £
Cash at bank	12,248	-	22,695	305	35,248
Rathbones portfolio (at cost)	195,000	-	-	105,000	300,000
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	207,248	-	22,695	105,305	335,248
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6. Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits

No trustee received any remuneration or other benefits during the year (nor for the year ended 31 July 2024).