

THE WESTENDERS

England & Wales · Charity number 1082950

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2000-10-19

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

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Activities

Objects: A) TO PROMOTE THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF BRECON AND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD THEREOF (HEREINAFTER CALLED 'THE AREA OF BENEFIT') WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, RACE OR OF POLITICAL RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS, BY ASSOCIATING TOGETHER THE SAID INHABITANTS AND THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES, VOLUNTARY AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS IN A COMMON EFFORT TO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND TO PROVIDE FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION AND OTHER LEISURE-TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE SAID INHABITANTS. B) TO ESTABLISH OR SECURE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMUNITY CENTRE AND TO MAINTAIN AND MANAGE THE SAME, WHETHER ALONE OR IN CO-OPERATION WITH ANY LOCAL AUTHORITY OR OTHER PERSON OR BODY IN FURTHERANCE OF THESE OBJECTS.

Activities: The Charity runs a community centre known as The Westenders Hall. Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, this year no productions were made and as a result no income was raised, with the exception of room hire. The money outstanding from the 2020 pantomime was paid in June 2020.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** BRECON AND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD
- Powys

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-05-31	£56,710	£33,801	-	-
2024-05-31	£60,254	£46,617	-	-
2023-05-31	£37,848	£31,387	-	-
2022-05-31	£2,753	£7,544	-	-
2021-05-31	£21,783	£7,111	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Robin Thompson	Chair	2023-05-23
BRIAN NEWMAN		
Brydie Alexandra Jones		2022-06-14
DAVID PAUL BOWEN		2013-09-23
Diana Gail Altmeyer		2018-05-21
Emily Chambers		2025-09-16
JULIE HELEN JONES		
Joan Manley		2023-05-23
Kristina Fiona Barker		2018-05-21
MICHELLE DAVIES		
MIKE DAVID CHARLES		
Paul Dean Cole		2010-05-28
Paul James Ashton		2019-05-21
Roger Smith		2023-05-23
STEPHEN GLENN BRADSHAW		2017-05-21
Timothy Ross Short		2024-06-18

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Chair	Robin Thompson
Vice Chair	Joan Manley
Secretary	Michelle Davies
Treasurer	Paul Ashton
Other Trustees	Diana Altmeyer Tina Barker Paul Bowen Steve Bradshaw Emily Chambers Mike Charles Dean Cole Brydie Dickinson-Jones Julie Jones Brian Newman Timothy Short (appointed 18/6/24) Roger Smith

Honorary President Angela Williams

Vice Presidents:
Gaynor Barker
Eirlys Cole
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Brian Newman
Gerwyn Rees
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Joy Waghorn
Kate Williams

Honorary Members:
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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the year ended 31 May 2025

Legal and administrative details

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Activities and achievements

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The trustees have built up cash reserves with a view to having sufficient funds to meet at least 24 months' operating expenditure for the hall. The charity has set aside funds to meet present and future building and renovation works of the hall, and these reserve funds are invested with NatWest Bank and HSBC Bank.

The charity continues to be run on a voluntary basis; without the contribution of the volunteers the effective running of the charity would not be possible.

Income from hall lettings has improved since last year's building repairs. Following a requirement from our new insurers, the hall was valued for rebuild costs in line with current property values, and this has increased our buildings insurance premium. The activities of the society as an amateur dramatics group have been insured separately with a policy designed for this, and that premium has been included in the shows' expenditure, whilst the premium for the buildings is included in hall expenditure. Splitting the insurance allows for the two separate activities of the society, amateur dramatics and hiring out the hall, to have the policies specifically suited to those activities.

The income from the 2025 Pantomime "Robin Hood" including subs, merchandise, raffle etc, was £40,909.67, income from the May 2025 production of "Dirty Habits 2" including raffle was £5,259.53, minus the hire of the Guildhall which was £300 and will be paid in the next financial year as the invoice arrived after 31 May 2025. The income from the shared production with Cantorion of "Brecon to Broadway" at Theatr Brycheiniog was £2,010.00.

Income from all shows during the financial year was £48,563.12, while expenditure on shows was £25,727.02, giving a surplus on shows of £22,836.10, an improvement on last year which was £17,994.05. Total income for the year, excluding investment income, was £53,455.12, overall expenditure was £33,801.48, giving a surplus of £19,593.64, an improvement on last year's figure which was £9,682.18.

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Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of The Westenders

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 May 2025 which are set out on pages 5 to 6.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of 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 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 gives me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do 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 order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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A. J. Morrell

Date:..... 29/10/25

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THE WESTENDERS

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 May 2025

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Receipts		
Membership fees	818	660
Operating activities to further charity's objects	48,563	55,519
Hire of hall	1,705	310
Hire of costumes	575	-
Investment income	3,315	3,080
Donations	765	685
BBI donation for Skydive	969	-
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Total Receipts	56,710	60,254
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Payments		
Cost of fund raising	25,727	24,577
Running costs of hall	7,755	16,537
DBS Checks and course fee	-	330
Bank charges	62	62
Miscellaneous costs	257	179
Hall development costs	-	4,932
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Total Payments	33,801	46,617
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Net receipts	22,909	13,637
Cash funds at 31 May 2024	135,939	122,302
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Cash funds at 31 May 2025	158,848	135,939
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES at 31 May 2025

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Total 2024 £
General Cash Funds		
HSBC Community Account	7,869	1,953
NatWest Current Account	4,757	3,079
Building Cash funds		
HSBC Community Savings Account	58,976	46,181
NatWest Liquidity Manager Account	87,246	84,726
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	146,222	130,907
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Total cash funds	158,848	135,939
Assets retained for the charity's own use		
Property – Community Centre, Newmarch Street, Brecon	2,500	2,500
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	161,348	138,439
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Approved by the Board of Trustees on and signed on its behalf:



28/10/25
Date

ROBIN THOMPSON
CHAIRMAN

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The trustees have built up cash reserves with a view to having sufficient funds to meet at least 24 months operating expenditure for the hall. The charity has set aside funds to meet present and future building and renovation works of the hall, these reserve funds are invested with Nat West and HSBC banks.

The charity continues to be run on a voluntary basis; without the contribution of the volunteers the effective running of the charity would not be possible.

Damage to the hall has greatly impacted lettings, after extensive repairs to the hall in the summer, lettings have not yet recovered. Energy costs have risen dramatically, unfortunately energy contracts for the hall expired and needed to be renewed while energy prices were high, also drying out the hall has consumed more energy than usual, in addition insurance costs have also risen.

On a positive note, Autumn saw the successful production of "Dirty Habits 2", once again at Brecon Guildhall. The Westenders' 75th anniversary pantomime "Cinderella" was staged in January 2024 at Theatr Brychieniog to record audiences.

The income from "Dirty Habits 2" was £6,389.21 and income from "Cinderella" including subs, clothing sales and merchandise was £49,441.78 making a total from both shows of £55,170.96. Taking into account the £12,600 deposit paid for Cinderella's coach hire on 18th May 2023 (which is not in this financial year) total expenditure for both shows was £37,176.91, giving a profit on both productions of £17,994.05, assuming all merchandise was sold.

However, income for the financial year, minus our overall expenditure during the financial year (£57,173.21 - £46,617.00) gave an operating surplus of £10,556.21.

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N.J. Morrell

Date: *27/08/2024*

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 May 2024

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Receipts		
Membership fees	660	662
Operating activities to further charity's objects	55,519	34,264
Hire of hall and costumes	310	1,350
Investment income	3,080	1,072
Grant	-	500
Donations	685	-
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Total Receipts	60,254	37,848
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Payments		
Cost of fund raising	24,577	25,087
Running costs of hall	13,672	3,078
Insurance	2,865	2,558
DBS Checks and course fee	330	253
Bank charges	62	64
Miscellaneous costs	179	35
Hall development costs	4,932	712
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Total Payments	46,617	31,787
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Net receipts	13,637	6,061
Cash funds at 31 May 2023	122,302	116,241
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Cash funds at 31 May 2024	135,939	122,302
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**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
at 31 May 2024**

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Total 2023 £
General Cash Funds		
HSBC Community Account	1,953	(405)
Building Cash funds		
HSBC Community Savings Account	46,181	39,903
NatWest Current Account	3,079	629
NatWest Liquidity Manager Account	84,726	82,175
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	133,986	122,707
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Total cash funds	135,939	122,302
Assets retained for the charity's own use		
Property – Community Centre, Newmarch Street, Brecon	2,500	2,500
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	138,439	124,802
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Approved by the Board of Trustees on and signed on its behalf:


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Mr Mike Charles

20/08/2024
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Date

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With the lifting of Covid restrictions the hall was able to be let to community groups once again, unfortunately damage to the roof resulted in water damage to the fabric of the building so lettings were temporarily suspended awaiting repairs.

A production in September 2022 at Brecon Guildhall of "Dirty Habits" brought some much needed income and a welcome opportunity for The Westenders to get back on stage again. This was followed in January 2023 by the pantomime "The Good, The Bad and The Ugly Sisters" which had been postponed in January 2022 due to Covid restrictions.

Merchandise from previous pantomimes, as well as newly purchased merchandise, helped with the final income from the two shows of £34,264.25.

Some unsold merchandise will be carried over to the next pantomime so an exact profit cannot be accurately calculated, but deducting shows income (plus subs) from shows expenditure, the profit was in the region of £22,589.01.

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Date: 7 November 2023

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	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Receipts		
Membership fees	662	790
Operating activities to further charity's objects	34,264	-
Hire of hall and costumes	1,350	1,860
Investment income	1,072	103
Grant	500	-
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Total Receipts	37,848	2,753
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Payments		
Cost of fund raising	25,087	-
Running costs of hall	3,078	3,720
Insurance	2,558	2,099
Storage and skip hire	-	1,092
Props and scenery	-	463
DBS Checks and course fee	253	108
Bank charges	64	27
Miscellaneous costs	35	35
Ecological consultant	712	-
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Total Payments	31,387	7,544
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Net receipts/(payments)	6,061	(4,791)
Cash funds at 31 May 2022	116,241	121,032
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**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
at 31 May 2023**

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Total 2022 £
General Cash Funds		
HSBC Community Account	(405)	735
Building Cash funds		
HSBC Community Savings Account	39,903	33,145
NatWest Current Account	629	1,000
NatWest Liquidity Manager Account	82,175	81,361
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	122,707	115,506
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Total cash funds	122,302	116,241
Assets retained for the charity's own use		
Property – Community Centre, Newmarch Street, Brecon	2,500	2,500
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Approved by the Board of Trustees on and signed on its behalf:

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Mrs Julie Jones

5/11/2023
Date