

# THE SAINSBURY SINGERS

England & Wales · Charity number 1096987

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2003-04-11

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

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC IN THE DRAMATIC AND OPERATIC ARTS, AND TO FURTHER THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PUBLIC APPRECIATION AND TASTE IN THE SAID ARTS.

**Activities:** To educate and entertain members of the general public in the Reading and surrounding area through the rehearsal and presentation of two musical productions a year (spring and autumn) at theatres in or near Reading. Each production usually runs for five performances with a total potential audience of just over 2000 for the week.

## Classification

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- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED. IN PRACTICE BERKSHIRE
- Bracknell Forest
- Reading
- Slough
- West Berkshire
- Windsor And Maidenhead
- Wokingham

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£64,844	£71,190	-	-
2024-03-31	£67,947	£62,274	-	-
2023-03-31	£44,077	£50,257	-	-
2022-03-31	£13,224	£4,909	-	-
2021-03-31	£19,455	£4,885	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>BRIAN WILLIAM BRETNEY</b>	Chair	
Claire Wilson		2022-06-06
Helen Thomas		2022-09-06
Jessamy Vincent		2019-06-03
Stephen Cox		2013-06-03

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**for the year ended**

**31 March 2025**

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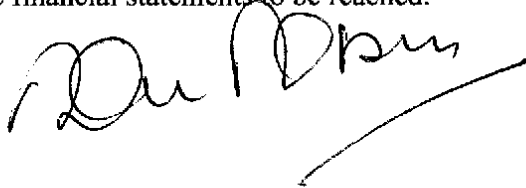
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Date:

27/1/2026

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## Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 March 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
<b>Incoming resources</b>		
Ticket sales	41,264	44,054
Patrons & Donations	2,960	3,254
Members' show fees & book hire	9,097	7,501
Programme sales	934	974
Show Week Raffles	536	80
Programme Advertising	400	1,300
Fundraising	4,959	4,891
Front of House income	0	2,602
Deposit interest	904	588
Gift aid tax rebate	3,364	2,433
Members annual membership fees	425	270
	<u>64,844</u>	<u>67,947</u>
<b>Resources Expended:</b>		
<b>Charitable expenditure:</b>		
Hire of theatres and rehearsal halls	24,688	25,036
Orchestras	6,825	7,506
Royalties and band parts	11,740	9,465
Advertising and publicity	729	632
Hire of costumes, scenery and equipment	21,303	11,477
Other production costs	5,253	7,773
	<u>70,537</u>	<u>61,890</u>
<b>Management and administration:</b>		
Printing & Stationery	0	0
Subscriptions	505	263
Miscellaneous administrative costs	149	121
	<u>654</u>	<u>384</u>
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<u>71,190</u>	<u>62,274</u>
<b>Net (expenditure) / income for the year</b>	<u>-6,346</u>	<u>5,673</u>
Funds brought forward	<u>77,974</u>	<u>72,301</u>
<b>Funds carried forward</b>	<u>71,628</u>	<u>77,974</u>

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## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

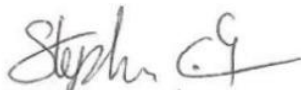
	2025	2024
	£	£
<b>Current assets</b>		
Debtors and prepayments	12,661	7,841
Bank current account	25,800	67,000
Bank deposit accounts	<u>45,089</u>	<u>14,184</u>
	<u>83,549</u>	<u>89,026</u>
<b>Current liabilities: payable within one year</b>		
Creditors and accruals	-	-
Deferred income	<u>11,921</u>	<u>11,051</u>
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<b>Net current assets</b>	<u>71,628</u>	<u>77,974</u>
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<b>Funds</b>		
General Fund	<u>71,628</u>	<u>77,974</u>

Approved by the Executive Committee on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025 and signed on its behalf by

B Bretney



S Cox



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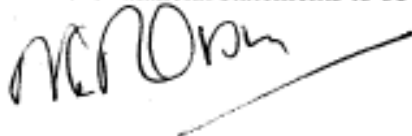
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Date:

28/11/2025

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## Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 March 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
<b>Incoming resources</b>		
Ticket sales	44,054	31,707
Patrons & Donations	3,254	1,302
Members' show fees & book hire	7,501	3,766
Programme sales	974	814
Show Week Raffles	80	0
Programme Advertising	1,300	700
Fundraising	4,891	280
Front of House income	2,602	1,901
Deposit interest	588	207
Gift aid tax rebate	2,433	3,100
Members annual membership fees	270	300
	<u>67,947</u>	<u>44,077</u>
<b>Resources Expended:</b>		
<b>Charitable expenditure:</b>		
Hire of theatres and rehearsal halls	25,036	19,170
Orchestras	7,506	7,400
Royalties and band parts	9,465	7,767
Advertising and publicity	632	427
Hire of costumes, scenery and equipment	11,477	11,348
Other production costs	7,773	3,334
	<u>61,890</u>	<u>49,446</u>
<b>Management and administration:</b>		
Printing & Stationery	0	0
Subscriptions	263	415
Miscellaneous administrative costs	121	396
	<u>384</u>	<u>811</u>
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<u>62,274</u>	<u>50,257</u>
<b>Net (expenditure) / income for the year</b>	5,673	-6,180
Funds brought forward	<u>72,301</u>	<u>78,481</u>
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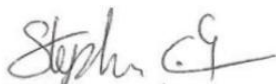
	2024	2023
	£	£
<b>Current assets</b>		
Debtors and prepayments	7,841	8,744
Bank current account	67,000	60,887
Bank deposit accounts	<u>14,184</u>	<u>13,596</u>
	<u>89,026</u>	<u>83,227</u>
<b>Current liabilities: payable within one year</b>		
Creditors and accruals	-	-
Deferred income	<u>11,051</u>	<u>10,926</u>
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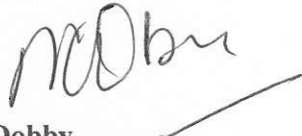
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Date: 30.1.2024

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## Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 March 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
<b>Incoming resources</b>		
Ticket sales	31,707	36
Patrons & Donations	1,302	3,379
Members' show fees & book hire	3,766	4,742
Programme sales	814	0
Show Week Raffles	0	0
Programme Advertising	700	0
Fundraising	280	2,835
Front of House income	1,901	0
Deposit interest	207	5
Gift aid tax rebate	3,100	2,168
Members annual membership fees	300	60
	<u>44,077</u>	<u>13,224</u>
<b>Resources Expended:</b>		
<b>Charitable expenditure:</b>		
Hire of theatres and rehearsal halls	19,170	2,000
Orchestras	7,400	-
Royalties and band parts	7,767	-
Advertising and publicity	427	-
Hire of costumes, scenery and equipment	11,348	873
Other production costs	3,334	1,738
	<u>49,446</u>	<u>4,611</u>
<b>Management and administration:</b>		
Printing & Stationery	0	76
Subscriptions	415	0
Miscellaneous administrative costs	396	223
	<u>811</u>	<u>298</u>
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<u>50,257</u>	<u>4,909</u>
<b>Net (expenditure) / income for the year</b>	<u>-6,180</u>	<u>8,315</u>
Funds brought forward	<u>78,481</u>	<u>70,166</u>
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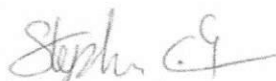
	2023	2022
	£	£
<b>Current assets</b>		
Debtors and prepayments	8,744	3,303
Bank current account	60,887	62,049
Bank deposit accounts	<u>13,596</u>	<u>13,390</u>
	<u>83,227</u>	<u>78,741</u>
<b>Current liabilities: payable within one year</b>		
Creditors and accruals	-	-
Deferred income	<u>10,926</u>	<u>260</u>
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<b>Net current assets</b>	<u>72,301</u>	<u>78,481</u>
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