

The Hathern Band Trustees' Annual Report 2024

The year began with a major flood in the village when the River Soar burst its banks following a very heavy rainfall. The Bandroom was inundated, but thankfully only to the depth of a few inches, and most of the equipment was able to be rescued and placed above the water line. The flood receded, the Bandroom dried out and a normal year followed. It should be mentioned that there was a repeat incident, almost to the day, in 2025, and since then we have engaged a firm of flood protection specialists who has reported on the work needing to be done to keep the Bandroom secure and dry in the future. This work is now being tendered for.

The year progressed with the Area Contest. This year we engaged Gary Wyatt as conductor for the contest and we achieved a creditable 3rd place out of 15 bands. A new system of training youngsters was introduced after the Covid lockdown and a lot of the band is now made up of young players. The system is working well and we had 3 young players playing in the Grimethorpe North of England Youth Band during the year.

We had our usual concerts and engagements throughout the middle of the year, including a delayed Patrons' Evening held in Hathern Church.

The Training Bands were showing how much they had learned and the Senior Band held a "Last Night of the Proms" during Hathern's Big Week, both were successful in promoting brass banding in Hathern.

Several players took part in the week-long Elgar International Summer School which was held in Birmingham.

In the Autumn, there was the usual round of Armistice Services and the Leicester Brass Band Association's Contest with Gary again in charge.

And so to Christmas, with a very full programme of concerts, playing in pubs and hospitals, and the annual services of Nine Lessons and Carols in Melton Mowbray and here in Hathern, a full-on finish to a successful year

The Trustees would like to thank all the Committee, players, Patrons and followers for their continuing support and encouragement during a very full year.

John Worsfold BSc(Hons) CPhys MInstP
Chairman & Trustee
The Hathern Band

1st January - 31st December 2024

Profit on year -	-£520.69	Deficit on year -	£520.69
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Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2024					
Bought forward 31.12.2023			Balance at Bank 31.12.2024		
Current Account 272		£4,356.52	Current Account 272		£2,073.31
Business Prem.Reserve 786		£4,251.44	Business Prem. Reserve.786		£4,000.00
Business Prem Savings 560		£35,130.02	Business Prem. Savings 560		£37,143.98
		£43,737.98			£43,217.29
Less chs drawn not presented					
Profit on year		-£520.69	Cash In hand		
Carry forward 31.12.2023		£43,217.29			

Independent examiners report – HATHERN BAND

Name and address of examiner (including any professional qualifications)

Philip H Edwards. ACIB

25 Chapel Street

Shepshed, Loughborough

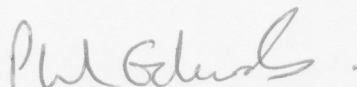
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For the Financial Year – Ending 31st December 2024

Any matters that have come to the attention of the examiner –

No matters arising.

The examiner must sign and date copy of their examiner's report.



Philip H Edwards. 5th February 2025