



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/07/2021 **Period start date** **To** 30/06/2022 **Period end date**

Charity name: Bromley Symphony Orchestra

Charity registration number: 1112117

Objectives and Activities

The objects of the charity are to advance, improve, develop and maintain public education in, and appreciation of, the art and science of music in all its aspects by any means the trustees see fit, including through the presentation of public concerts and recitals.

In presenting public concerts, the Orchestra seeks to educate, uplift and entertain a growing audience while developing the potential of semi-professional and amateur performers alike. We aim to present concerts of near-professional standard with a wide variety of repertoire.

The trustees are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and take this into account when planning the projects and public activities of the Orchestra.

Achievements and Performance

After a year without concerts, we recognised the importance of starting the 2021-22 season as soon as possible when the COVID-19 ban on public gatherings was lifted. We arranged a summer concert before our regular concert season, performing Wagner's overture to 'Die Meistersinger', Elgar 'Sea Pictures' and Beethoven's fifth symphony twice on the same day to allow space for social distancing in the auditorium. We dedicated the Elgar song cycle to the memory of our former President, Anthony Payne,

We prepared an ambitious programme for our regular concert season to demonstrate our renewed commitment and passion for high-quality music-making. Highlights included Bartok 3rd concerto for Piano, Horowitz concerto for Euphonium (dedicated to the composer who sadly died a few weeks before the performance) and Korngold Violin concerto, symphonies by Bax, Bruckner, Dvorak and Mendelssohn, 'The Lark Ascending' by Vaughan Williams, 'The Fountains of Rome' by Respighi, and another finalist from our centenary composers' competition ('Bromleag' by Robert Ely).

We finished the season with an additional concert for all ages, at family-friendly prices, featuring 'Little Red Hiding Hood' by our President, Paul Patterson. As expected, the costs of a six-concert season were higher than usual but kept within the planned budget.

Financial Review

The previous financial year ended with accumulated reserves of £ 12,427

The current season of concerts was expected to reduce reserves below our normal limit (with a special reserve charge to cover the instrument hire and soloist fees for the piano concerto). We saw this as an investment in the future of the orchestra, as scaling back our concert programmes to fit the expected reduction in ticket revenue would not increase audience numbers in the longer term.

We improved on budgeted costs and finished the season with £4869 in reserves.

The Constitution does not detail a reserve policy for the Orchestra. The treasurer aims to maintain a minimum reserve that would allow the funding of the next concert with typical expenses in case a planned concert must be cancelled with uninsured losses. A special reserve, typically funded by occasional bequests, may be held for specific projects as determined by the committee (and within the bounds of each bequest when restrictions are specified).

The principal sources of funds for the Orchestra are membership subscriptions and ticket revenue from concert tickets, with additional donations from patrons.

We plan to restrict costs and increase ticket sales next season.

Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document of the Orchestra is its revised Constitution dated May 2014.

The Orchestra is an unincorporated association

The management of (the Orchestra) shall be in the hands of a Committee consisting of the following Officers: a Chair, a Secretary, a Treasurer and a Librarian and at least four but no more than eight other members. The Officers and other Committee members shall be elected by and out of the Society's members at the AGM; the Officers shall hold office for three years and the Committee members shall hold office for one year and shall all be eligible for re-election. The Committee shall have the power to co-opt further members on to the Committee and to fill any vacancies arising during the year. The committee are the charity trustees.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Bromley Symphony Orchestra
Registered charity number	1112117
Charity's principal address	37 Clock House Road, Beckenham, Kent. BR3 4JS
Website	www.bromleysymphony.org

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Michael Ibbott	Chair		Appointed by member vote
2	Caroline Marwood	Secretary		Appointed by committee vote
3	Peter Bruce	Treasurer		Appointed by member vote
4	David Floyd	Librarian		Appointed by committee vote
5	Judy Brown			Appointed by member vote
6	James Dowsett		to 16/5/22	Appointed by member vote
7	Jacqueline Whitbread		to 16/5/22	Appointed by member vote
8	David Rodker			Appointed by member vote
9	Rachel Dubourg		from 16/5/22	Appointed by member vote
10	Marion Hitchcock		from 17/5/22	Appointed by committee vote
11				
12				
13				
14				
15				
16				

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

None.

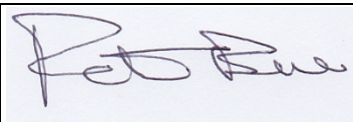
Exemptions from disclosure

None.

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees’ report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Peter Francis Bruce	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date	13/12/2024	

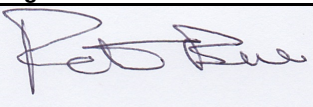
Annual accounts for the year ended 30 June 2022

Statement of financial activities
(including summary income and expenditure account)

		Unrestricted Funds		Total (2022)	Total (2021)
		General	Special		
		£	£	£	£
Income					
Donations and legacies	3a	16,629	-	16,629	5,971
Concerts and performances	3b	22,519	-	22,519	-
Charitable activities	3c	-	-	-	-
Investments	3d	29	-	29	-
Other		-	-	-	-
Total		39,177	-	39,177	5,971
Expenditure					
Concerts and performances	4a	45,219	-	45,219	3,780
Charitable activities	4b	1,516	-	1,516	763
Other		-	-	-	-
Total		46,735	-	46,735	4,543
Net income/(expenditure)		(7,558)	-	(7,558)	1,428
Extraordinary items		-	-	-	-
Transfers between funds		2,360	(2,360)	-	-
Net movement in funds		(5,198)	(2,360)	(7,558)	1,428
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		7,427	5,000	12,427	10,999
Net movement		(5,198)	(2,360)	(7,558)	1,428
Total funds carried forward		2,229	2,640	4,869	12,427

Bromley Symphony Orchestra		Charity No	1112117	
Annual accounts for the year ended 30 June 2022				
Balance Sheet				
		Note:	Balance as at 30 June	
			2022	2021
			£	£
Fixed assets				
Tangible assets		6	-	171
Total fixed assets			-	171
Current assets				
Debtors & Prepayments		7	6,678	3,491
Deposits paid			200	200
Cash at bank and in hand		8	3,124	8,565
Total current assets			10,002	12,256
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		9	(5,133)	-
Net current assets			4,869	12,256
Total assets less current liabilities			4,869	12,427
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year			-	-
Provisions for liabilities			-	-
Total net assets			4,869	12,427
Funds of the Charity				
Unrestricted funds:				
General Reserve			2,229.00	7,427.00
Special Reserve			2,640.00	5,000.00
Total Unrestricted Funds			4,869.00	12,427.00
Total funds			4,869.00	12,427.00

The notes to the accounts on pages 3 to 9 form part of the annual accounts of the charity.

Signed on behalf of all the trustees/directors		Date of approval
		Tuesday, 23 April 2024
Print name	Peter Bruce	

Annual accounts for the year ended 30 June 2022**Notes to the Accounts****Note 1 Basis of preparation****1.1 Basis of accounting**

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost (except that investments are shown at market value) in accordance with:

- Accounting and Reporting by Charities – Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005);
- and with Accounting Standards;
- and with the Charities Act.

1.2 Change in basis of accounting

There has been no change to the accounting policies (valuation rules and methods of accounting) since last year.

1.3 Changes to previous accounts

No changes have been made to accounts for previous years.

Note 2 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied by the charity:

2.1 Income**Recognition of income**

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Income with related expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

Investment income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

2.2 Expenditure and Liabilities**Liability recognition**

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Grants payable without performance conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity.

2.3 Assets**Tangible fixed assets for use by charity**

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £300. They are valued at cost or a reasonable value on receipt.

Annual accounts for the year ended 30 June 2022

Notes to the Accounts

Note 3 Analysis of income

	Analysis	This year	Last year
		£	£
a) Donations and legacies	Members' subscriptions	15,280	4,288
	Patrons' donations	1,133	1,684
	Other donations	216	-
		-	-
	Total	16,629	5,971
b) Concerts and Performances	Sale of tickets	21,594	-
	Programme sales	925	-
		-	-
	Total	22,519	-
d) Income from charitable activities	Rehearsal refreshments	-	-
	Other income	-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
d) Investment income	Bank interest received	29	-
		-	-
	Total	29	-

Annual accounts for the year ended 30 June 2022

Notes to the Accounts

Note 4 Analysis of resources expended

a) Concerts and Performances

Analysis	This year	Last year
	£	£
Hire of hall & related exps	16,074	-
Conductors' fees	12,135	3,010
Soloists' fees	3,900	-
Professionals' fees	6,750	770
Printing & advertising	857	-
Instrument Hire	1,860	-
Hire of music	2,512	-
Box Office	1,017	-
Incidental Expenses	114	-
	-	-
Total	45,219	3,780

b) Charitable activities

Administration	1,516	763
Workshop expenses	-	-
Merchandise costs	-	-
Total	1,516	763

Annual accounts for the year ended 30 June 2022**Notes to the Accounts****Note 5 Details of certain items of expenditure****5.1 Trustee expenses**

Number of trustees who were paid expenses

Nature of expenses reimbursed

Total amount paid

This year	Last year
3	0
<i>Music hire/postage, incidental concert cost</i>	<i>none</i>
£1,261	-

5.2 Fees for examination or audit of the accounts

Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the accounts

Other fees (for example: advice, consultancy, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner or auditor

This year	Last year
£	£
None	None
None	None

Annual accounts for the year ended 30 June 2022

Notes to the Accounts

Note 6 Tangible fixed assets

6.1 Cost or valuation

	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Balance brought forward	1,043	1,043
Additions	-	-
Revaluations	-	-
Disposals	-	-
Balance carried forward	1,043	1,043

6.2 Accumulated depreciation and impairment provisions

Basis	Straight Line
Rate	3 years

Balance brought forward	872	872
Depreciation charge for year	171	171
Disposals	-	-
Balance carried forward	1,043	1,043

6.3 Net book value

Brought forward	171	171
Carried forward	-	-

Annual accounts for the year ended 30 June 2022**Notes to the Accounts****Note 7 Debtors and prepayments**

	Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
	This year	Last year	This year	Last year
	£	£	£	£
Gift Aid receivable (HMRC)	6,363	3,393	-	-
Other debtors	315	-	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	-	98	-	-
Total	6,678	3,491	-	-

Note 8 Cash at bank and in hand**Cash and cash equivalents at the 30th June**

Type	Detail	This year	Last year
		£	£
Cash	Floats	280	175
Current account	HSBC	2,844	5,655
Cash receivable	Card receipts, etc.	-	-
Deposit account	Virgin Money	-	2,735
		-	-
Total		3,124	8,565

Note 9 Creditors and accruals**Analysis of creditors**

	Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
	This year	Last year	This year	Last year
	£	£	£	£
Accruals:				
Performing Rights Society dues	381	-	-	-
Other	130	-	-	-
Total Accruals	511	-	-	-
Loans (ref. Note 10)	4,622	-	-	-
Deferred Income	-	-	-	-
Other creditors	-	-	-	-
Total	5,133	-	-	-

Bromley Symphony Orchestra	Charity No	1112117
-----------------------------------	-------------------	----------------

Annual accounts for the year ended 30 June 2022

Notes to the Accounts

Note 10 Transactions with related parties

If the charity has any transactions with related parties (other than the trustee expenses explained in note 5) details of such transactions should be provided in this note. If there are no transactions to report, please enter "None".

10.1 Remuneration and benefits

Please give the amount of, and legal authority for, any remuneration or other benefits paid to a trustee or other related parties by the charity or any institution or company connected with it.

Name of trustee or connected party	Legal authority (eg order, governing document)	Amounts paid or benefit value	
		This year £	Last year £
None		-	

10.2 Loans

Please give details of and amounts owing to or from the charity's trustees or other related parties by the charity at the year end.

	Name of trustee or connected party	Legal authority	Amount owing	
			This year £	Last year £
Due to trustees and related parties	Peter Bruce (treasurer)	Interest-free loan of prior-year Gift Aid in advance of claim process (to be repaid when GA received).	3,122	
Due to trustees and related parties	Peter Bruce (treasurer)	Interest-free loan of final concert revenue in advance of box office revenue and outstanding subs.	1,500	
Due from trustees and related parties			-	-

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Bromley Symphony Orchestra

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Bromley Symphony Orchestra (the BSO) for the year ended 30 June 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the BSO 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 BSO's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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.

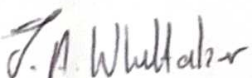
Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the BSO as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Signed:



Name: John Anthony Whittaker

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): FCMA

Address: 42 Longdon Wood, Keston, Kent, BR2 6EW

Date: 17th February 2025