



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

**From: 1<sup>st</sup> Sept 24 Period start date**

**To: 31<sup>st</sup> August 25 Period end date**

**Charity name: Great Western Youth & Brunel Brass Band**

**Charity registration number: 1130127**

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To offer brass instrument teachings across all social groupings
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Activities to include tuition, instrument supply and social activities to encompass educational gathering and the chance to compete nationally at all levels
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Trustees are all fully cognisant of guidance issued by the Charity Commission with regards to the public benefits the charity should offer.

## Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	The charity has grown from one initial grouping of around 30 members to encompass another three bands and now has in excess of 120 members. The members benefit from tuition across all levels of ability and are encouraged to attend many social gatherings. Public performances are given to the wider society and strategy is to continue to grow which involves holding regular listen and learn days for all potential members.

#### **Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity closing bank balance was £11.2k with a net YoY expenditure of £8.7k – material YoY movement being collection of Gift-Aid lin following FY
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	No specific reserves are held – all income reinvested on training, music and new instruments.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	None specific other than cash balance
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	See above
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not applicable – positive cash position
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None – expectation is continue as going concern

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution document
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees consist of four – integrally associated with the charity.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Brunel Brass & Academy Bands
Other name the charity uses	Great Western Youth Band
Registered charity number	1130127
Charity's principal address	79 Grouse Road Calne Wiltshire SN11 9SF



**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	Paul Austin	Trustee		
2	Matthew Walton	Chair		
3	Julian Tyrrell	Trustee		
4	Dave Tong	Trustee		
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

Director name	None	

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
	None	

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	None
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	None

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information

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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>	Paul Austin	
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Paul Charles Austin	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Trustee	
<b>Date</b>	31/05/26	



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## Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members ofCompany Name  
BRUNEL BRASS & ACADEMY BANDSOn accounts for the year  
ended

31st AUGUST 2025

Charity no  
(if any)

1130127

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/08/2025.

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 2011 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 (other than that disclosed below \*) 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.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

C Watchman

Date:

12/08/26

Name:

CHRISTOPHER DAVID WATCHMAN

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

F.C.C.A.

Address:

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Year	2024/25
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Sum of Transaction	Column Labels												
Row Labels	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25	Grand Total
Income	2,397	7,626	2,008	9,248	1,981	1,944	4,821	9,820	3,877	2,882	4,572	2,155	53,331
BB Profit								4,754					4,754
Bonus Ball	4	5	4	4	1	(0)	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
Concert Income		1,172		2,598		49	21	1,300			1,012		6,152
Contest Income		310											310
Contra		0						0		0	0		0
Dialog Grant						250							250
Easy Fundraising						18						16	33
Instrument Sales								300					300
Regular Donations	1,480	6,042	2,001	3,706	1,073	1,149	4,773	2,660	3,421	2,812	2,940	2,140	34,195
Trinity College						450			375		600		1,425
Tuck Shop Income	113	97	3		107	28	27	6	81	70	21		554
Xmas Carols				2,940									2,940
Youth Music	800				800			800					2,400
Expenditure	(2,723)	(3,979)	(2,760)	(4,626)	(1,681)	(5,596)	(9,737)	(5,180)	(15,873)	(2,419)	(3,565)	(3,841)	(61,980)
4BR Registry												(60)	(60)
Audit Fees										(264)			(264)
BBE Membership								(211)					(211)
BBP Registry		(150)							(150)				(300)
BBQ Expenses											(143)		(143)
British Open												(771)	(771)
Canteen Supplies					(20)								(20)
Chaperone Licence							(45)						(45)
Committee Exps							(19)				(18)		(36)
Concert Exps		(308)			(119)	(86)	(27)	(95)	(217)	(21)	(11)		(884)
Conductor - DH	(739)	(1,097)	(1,161)	(257)	(1,040)	(2,100)	(1,625)	(890)	(1,385)	(480)	(450)		(11,223)
Contest Expenses	(228)	(30)		(900)	(250)	(571)	(2,102)	(462)	(1,570)			(180)	(6,292)
Electricity				(178)			(375)						(553)
First Aid Course							(108)						(108)
Gas	(40)	(40)	(40)	(40)	(40)	(40)	(40)	(40)	(40)	(40)	(40)	(15)	(455)
Instrument Costs												(50)	(50)
Instrument Purchase		(203)					(2,280)	(1,252)		(19)			(3,753)
Instrument Repairs				(17)					(981)		(996)	(740)	(2,734)
Insurance Costs							(1,495)						(1,495)
Music	(402)	(45)						(169)	(115)	(27)		(431)	(1,189)
Premises Costs	(384)	(230)		(67)	(72)		(29)	(84)	(10,027)	(100)		(288)	(11,281)
Software Costs					(19)			(19)					(38)
Stationary			(32)	(568)					(79)				(679)
Teaching/Lessons	(637)	(1,755)	(1,287)	(2,431)		(1,677)	(1,430)	(1,482)	(1,222)	(1,385)	(1,729)	(1,261)	(16,296)
Telephone	(58)	(101)		(51)	(101)		(101)	(18)	(56)	(54)	(108)	(14)	(663)
Travel Exps											(40)		(40)
Tuck Shop Costs	(216)			(97)			(30)	(427)					(770)
Uniforms						(1,092)							(1,092)
Water	(21)	(21)	(19)	(19)	(19)	(31)	(31)	(31)	(31)	(31)	(31)	(31)	(314)
Website Costs			(220)										(220)
Grand Total	(326)	3,647	(752)	4,622	300	(3,652)	(4,916)	4,640	(11,996)	463	1,007	(1,686)	(8,650)

Opening Bal	19,847
Income	53,331
Expenditure	(61,980)
Closing Balance	11,197
Check	0