

Slaithwaite Brass Band

Charity number 1142707

A company limited by guarantee number 07532611

Annual Report and Financial Statements for the period 1 March 2024 to 31 August 2025



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Trustees' report for the period 1 March 2024 to 31 August 2025

Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors

The trustees during the financial period and up to and including the date the report was approved were:

Name	Position	Dates
Colin Tracey	Chair	
Andrew Booth	Secretary	
Andrew Hudson	Treasurer	
Daniel Booth	Librarian	
Deborah Booth		Resigned 2 September 2024
Mark Eastwood	Band Manager	
Neil Hardy		
June Hardy		Resigned 31 December 2025
Gillian Henderson		Resigned 4 September 2024
Diane Hudson	Utilities Manager	Resigned 27 July 2025
Philip Hudson		Resigned 9 February 2026
Tracey Tracey		
Andrew Knight		
David Hoyle	Music Co-ordinator	
Brad Kaye	Contest and Reg'n Manager	

Charity number 1142707 Registered in England and Wales

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Registered and principal address	Bankers
The Bandroom	HSBC
Inghead Road	2 Cloth Hall Street
Slaithwaite	Huddersfield
Huddersfield	HD1 2ES
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Independent examiner

Katy Sargeant ACA

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Structure, governance and management

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and was formed on 16 February 2011. It is governed by a memorandum and articles of association. The liability of the members in the event of the company being wound up is limited to a sum not exceeding £1.

Method of recruitment and appointment of trustees

The trustees of the charity are also the directors for the purposes of company law and are appointed by the members at the AGM.

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Trustees' report (continued) for the period 1 March 2024 to 31 August 2025

Objectives and activities

The charity's objects

To educate the public in the art and science of Brass Band musicianship by the presentation of concerts and related activities.

To provide and maintain a bandroom for the use of the inhabitants of Slaithwaite in the Metropolitan District of Kirklees and the surrounding area without distinction of political, religious or other opinions, including use for:

- a) meetings, lectures and classes and
- b) other forms of recreation and leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the inhabitants.

The charity's main activities

Slaithwaite Brass Band's main activities are performing concerts and contests in the local area at a wide variety of venues and for different audiences.

The charity provides and maintains a band room in Slaithwaite for the use of the band and the local community. As well as being used for twice-weekly brass band rehearsals, the band room is regularly used for dance classes, additional brass ensemble rehearsals and recordings, meetings and private functions.

The bandroom has a bar, which is run through a trading subsidiary.

Public benefit statement

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our Trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular the advancement of education in the art and science of brass band musicianship.

Financial review

The net expenditure for the period was £1,778, including net expenditure of £1,689 on unrestricted funds and net expenditure of £89 on restricted funds.

Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, excluding fixed assets, at the year end were £29,030.

Having regard to their legal duties of prudence and care the trustees believe it is prudent for the charity to maintain minimum reserves equivalent to at least 3 months' core expenditure and ideally aim to accumulate unrestricted reserves equivalent of at least 6 months' expenditure to provide the ability to:

- ensure that the Charitable Company does not become insolvent;
- meet unforeseen expenditure fund short-term deficits in income;
- ensure that the Charitable Company can meet its financial commitments;
- cover short term timing differences between income receipts and outgoing payments;

In addition, the trustees aim to build reserves to fund capital and refurbishments costs for the fabric of the band room as needs arise.

Reserves are to be maintained through generation of surplus from trading activities and fundraising appeals and events.

The trustees acknowledge that current reserves are in excess of the stated policy, however are planning the purchase of new instruments and are to incur costs in relation to an ongoing structural insurance claim of which they are there will be associated costs not yet known.

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Trustees' report (continued) for the period 1 March 2024 to 31 August 2025

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees report and the financial statements in accordance with the applicable law and UK Accounting Standards.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for the year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (Charities SORP (FRS102)), and in accordance with the special provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by the board of trustees on 7/5/2026

Andrew Booth (Trustee)

Slaithwaite Brass Band

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Slaithwaite Brass Band

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charitable company for the period 1 March 2024 to 31 August 2025, which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the charitable company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the charitable company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 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 company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
- 4 the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.

Katy Sargeant ACA

12/5/2026

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Slaithwaite Brass Band
Statement of Financial Activities
(including summary income and expenditure account)
for the period 1 March 2024 to 31 August 2025

	Notes	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
Income from:					
Donations	(2)	18,438	-	18,438	4,997
Band fees and concert collections		9,439	-	9,439	5,973
Band member subscriptions		3,040	-	3,040	1,835
Fundraising		5,337	-	5,337	2,617
Merchandise		146	-	146	10
Room hire		1,195	-	1,195	1,215
Bank interest		435	-	435	299
Utilities contribution from SBB Trading		1,800	-	1,800	1,200
Total income		39,830	-	39,830	18,146
Expenditure on:					
Rent, rates and water		1,131	-	1,131	301
Light and heat		6,075	-	6,075	6,631
Insurances		4,222	-	4,222	2,802
Telephone		882	-	882	553
Printing, postage and stationery		172	-	172	35
Repairs and maintenance		7,444	-	7,444	1,810
Band tuition/musical director fees		9,240	-	9,240	5,542
Band supplies and expenses		5,613	89	5,702	2,853
Sundry expenses		1,156	-	1,156	123
Accountancy		726	-	726	726
Licences		524	-	524	647
Depreciation		3,466	-	3,466	3,632
Bank Charges		148	-	148	152
Equipment purchases		720	-	720	-
Total expenditure		41,519	89	41,608	25,807
Net income / (expenditure)		(1,689)	(89)	(1,778)	(7,661)
Fund balances brought forward		98,836	89	98,925	106,586
Fund balances carried forward	(3)	97,147	-	97,147	98,925

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

Slaithwaite Brass Band
Balance sheet
as at 31 August 2025

	2025	2025	2025	2024
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets				
Tangible assets	(4) 68,117	-	68,117	66,233
Total fixed assets	<u>68,117</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>68,117</u>	<u>66,233</u>
Current assets				
Debtors and prepayments	(5) 9,494	-	9,494	5,402
Cash at bank and in hand	(6) 20,442	-	20,442	28,466
Total current assets	<u>29,936</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,936</u>	<u>33,868</u>
Current liabilities:				
amounts falling due within one year				
Accruals	906	-	906	1,176
Total current liabilities	<u>906</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>906</u>	<u>1,176</u>
Net current assets / (liabilities)	<u>29,030</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,030</u>	<u>32,692</u>
Net assets	<u>97,147</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>97,147</u>	<u>98,925</u>
Funds				
Unrestricted funds				
General unrestricted funds	95,286	-	95,286	95,736
Designated funds	(7) 1,861	-	1,861	3,100
Unrestricted funds	<u>97,147</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>97,147</u>	<u>98,836</u>
Restricted funds	-	-	-	89
Total funds	<u>97,147</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>97,147</u>	<u>98,925</u>

For the period 1 March 2024 to 31 August 2025, the charitable company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476. The trustees (who are also the directors for the purposes of company law) acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and with FRS 102 (effective January 2019).

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 7/5/2026

Andrew Booth (Trustee)

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Notes to the accounts

for the period 1 March 2024 to 31 August 2025

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

There has been no change to the accounting policies since last year.

No changes have been made to the accounts for previous years.

Going concern

The trustees are satisfied that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the resources, if it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Grants and donations

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

Where grants are related to performance and specific deliverables, they are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

Expenditure and liabilities

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out the resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Taxation

As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets costing more than £750 are capitalised and included at cost including any incidental expenses of acquisition. Gifted assets are shown at the value to the charity on receipt. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost on a straight line basis over their expected useful economic lives as follows:

Freehold property: nil

Musical instruments: nil

Fixtures and Fittings: 25% reducing balance

Building improvements: 10% straight line

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

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Notes to the accounts continued
for the period 1 March 2024 to 31 August 2025

2 Grants and donations	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
Slaithwaite Brass Band Trading	14,091	-	14,091	2,979
Other donations	4,347	-	4,347	2,018
	<u>18,438</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,438</u>	<u>4,997</u>

3 Restricted funds	Balance b/f £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers £	Balance c/f £
One Community Foundation	89	-	89	-	-
	<u>89</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>89</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Fund name	Purpose of restriction
One Community Foundation	Towards new music stands.

4 Tangible assets	Building improvement £	Fixtures and fittings £	Instruments £	Freehold property £	Total £
Cost					
At 1 March 2024	35,402	6,044	45,780	5,679	92,905
Additions	-	950	8,400	-	9,350
Disposals	-	-	(4,000)	-	(4,000)
At 31 August 2025	<u>35,402</u>	<u>6,994</u>	<u>50,180</u>	<u>5,679</u>	<u>98,255</u>
Depreciation					
At 1 March 2024	20,911	5,761	-	-	26,672
Depn reversed re. disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Charge for year	3,157	309	-	-	3,466
At 31 August 2025	<u>24,068</u>	<u>6,070</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,138</u>
Net book value					
At 31 August 2025	<u>11,334</u>	<u>924</u>	<u>50,180</u>	<u>5,679</u>	<u>68,117</u>
At 29 February 2024	<u>14,491</u>	<u>283</u>	<u>45,780</u>	<u>5,679</u>	<u>66,233</u>

5 Debtors and prepayments	2025 £	2024 £
Amounts owed by subsidiary company	8,785	2,979
Prepayments	709	2,423
	<u>9,494</u>	<u>5,402</u>

6 Cash at bank and in hand	2025 £	2024 £
Cash at bank	20,344	28,454
Cash in hand	98	12
	<u>20,442</u>	<u>28,466</u>

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Notes to the accounts continued
for the period 1 March 2024 to 31 August 2025

7 Designated funds	Balance b/f £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers £	Balance c/f £
Instruments and uniforms	3,100	-	1,239	-	1,861
	<u>3,100</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,239</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,861</u>

Fund name	Reason for designation
Instruments and uniforms	Designated towards the cost of new instruments and uniforms.

8 Related party transactions

Trustee expenses

No trustee received any expenses during this year or the previous year.

Trustee remuneration and benefits

No trustee received any remuneration or benefit during this or the previous year.

Other related party transactions

The charity is parent company to Slaithwaite Brass Band (Trading) Limited, a company limited by guarantee, company number 07729594.

The trading subsidiary donates any surplus profit at the year end to the charity - for the period 1 March 2024 to 31 August 2025 the amount donated was £8,519 (2024 £2,979). The trading company also made a contribution towards utilities costs of £1,800 during the period (2024 £1,200).

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Statement of Financial Activities including comparatives for all funds (including summary income and expenditure account) for the period 1 March 2024 to 31 August 2025

	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	2024 Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
Income						
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Total income	39,830	18,146	-	-	39,830	18,146
Expenditure						
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Depreciation	3,466	3,632	-	-	3,466	3,632
Bank Charges	148	152	-	-	148	152
Equipment purchases	720	-	-	-	720	-
Total expenditure	41,519	25,738	89	69	41,608	25,807
Net income / (expenditure)	(1,689)	(7,592)	(89)	(69)	(1,778)	(7,661)
Fund balances brought forward	98,836	106,428	89	158	98,925	106,586
Fund balances carried forward	97,147	98,836	-	89	97,147	98,925