

ALRESFORD COMMUNITY CHOIR

England & Wales · Charity number 1148708

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2012-08-24

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

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Activities

Objects: The objects of the Choir shall be: The bringing together of adults of all ages and backgrounds to promote, advance, improve and develop appreciation of the art of choral singing in all its aspects. The choir will develop both singing and musical skills and will present both public concerts and recitals. To further such charitable purpose or purposes as the Trustees, after consultation with the choir members, shall think fit but in particular through the making of grants and donations.

Activities: The charity promotes education in and appreciation of music, especially choral music, by its members learning about the techniques and skills of singing and musical performance, and by rehearsing music for performance in public concerts in and around Alresford (Hampshire).

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Recreation
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Hampshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£40,229	£41,051	-	-
2024-08-31	£31,826	£37,312	-	-
2023-08-31	£53,198	£43,280	-	-
2022-08-31	£19,152	£18,256	-	-
2021-08-31	£6,881	£6,796	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Andrew Walsh		2026-01-26
HEATHER ELIZABETH GALLEY		2022-02-28
Helen Gard		2021-02-22
Jacqueline Mumford		2025-01-13
Jeanette Pratt		2025-01-13
Keith Clark		2026-01-26
Sally Wesley		2022-02-28
Susan Harris		2026-01-26

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Accounts

ALRESFORD COMMUNITY CHOIR

Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025

**Butler & Co Audit Limited
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors
The Old Stables
Sutton Manor Farm
Bishop's Sutton
Alresford
Hampshire
SO24 0AA**

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TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

Trustees	K T Cotgrave	Chair
	H E Galley	Trustee
	S Wesley	Treasurer
	Dr H J White	Trustee
	H Gard	Trustee
	R J Bennett	Trustee
	J Mumford	Trustee (appt 13/01/2025)
	J Pratt	Trustee (appt 13/01/2025)
Banker	NatWest Bank Plc, 105 High Street, Winchester, Hampshire. SO23 9AW	
Independent Examiner	Mrs. J M Butler FCA Butler & Co Audit Limited, The Old Stables, Sutton Manor Farm, Alresford, Hampshire. SO24 0AA.	
Governing document	The charity is controlled by its governing document dated 27 February 2012 (subsequently amended 4 March 2019, 2 March 2020, 30 November 2023 and 13 January 2025), and constitutes an unincorporated charity. It was registered with the Charity Commission on 24 August 2012.	
Objectives	To advance, improve, develop, and maintain public education in and appreciation of the arts, science of music in all its aspects by any means the trustees see fit.	
Activities and achievements	The performance of concerts throughout the year. During the year, the charity had 110 members (2024 – 135).	
Reserves policy	The policy on reserves is to reinvest any surplus into the infrastructure of the charity, as well as supporting initiatives to encourage the advancement of the charity's objectives.	

The continuing trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Report.

Signed


K T Cotgrave

S Wesley



Date:

6.12.2025

ALRESFORD COMMUNITY CHOIR
Registered Charity Number 114870B
Income and Expenditure Statement for the year ended 31 August 2025

	2024/25 £	2023/24 £
INCOME		
Concert Income:		
- Ticket sales	11,585.43	6,020.11
- Programme sales / advert space in programmes	473.50	269.71
- Bar takings	497.00	844.00
- Sponsorship	1,270.00	
- Donations	398.50	327.00
Total Concert Income	<u>14,224.43</u>	<u>7,460.82</u>
Membership Income:		
- Members' subscriptions	20,974.00	19,478.00
- Gift Aid recovered	3,386.84	3,832.71
- Members' contributions to cost of folders/other	8.00	96.00
- Members' purchase of music scores	1,086.00	783.55
- Sponsorship/donations	150.00	175.00
- Miscellaneous	400.17	
Total Membership Income	<u>26,005.01</u>	<u>24,365.26</u>
TOTAL INCOME FOR THE YEAR	<u>40,229.44</u>	<u>31,826.08</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Concert Expenses:		
- Concert venue hire	2,291.23	1,273.00
- Staging & transport costs		185.00
- Music hire/purchase		110.47
- Temporary event notices (Bar licence)	24.00	24.00
- Cost of refreshments sold	555.48	159.85
- Printing of tickets, posters and programmes	1,258.86	567.54
- Online ticket fees	272.33	
- Soloists costs	3,500.00	2,200.00
- Orchestra costs	3,504.00	10,974.00
- Charitable Donations	8,050.00	
- Flowers for soloists	251.21	604.78
- SumUp charge for concerts	9.79	13.19
- Miscellaneous	132.00	5.99
Total Concert Expenses	<u>19,848.90</u>	<u>16,117.82</u>
Membership Expenses:		
- Music director's fees (Keith Clark)	7,000.00	10,500.00
- Assistant DOM fees (Simon Gallear)	2,666.00	
- Accompanist's fees (Imogen Painter)	3,560.00	4,460.00
- Hire of St John's/other venues for rehearsals & singing lessons	2,400.00	1,050.00
- Cost of sheet music hire/ bought for re-sale to members	1,665.71	1,357.55
- Making Music subscription	411.00	392.00
- Making Music website	210.00	
- Making Music insurance	289.00	283.00
- Printed music licence	1,176.00	1,248.00
- Staging storage	840.00	840.00
- Cost of independent examination of accounts	450.00	450.00
- Charitable Donations		210.00
- SumUp charge for membership	8.16	2.66
- Miscellaneous	436.56	340.58
- Subscription refunds	90.00	60.00
Total Membership Expenses	<u>21,202.43</u>	<u>21,193.79</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR	<u>41,051.33</u>	<u>37,311.61</u>

	2024/25 £	2023/24 £
CONCERT (DEFICIT) / SURPLUS	(5,624.47)	(8,657.00)
MEMBERSHIP SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	4,802.58	3,171.47
(DEFICIT) / SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR	<u>(821.89)</u>	<u>(5,485.53)</u>

Start and end of year status of bank accounts

	As at 31/08/2025	As at 31/08/2024
Current Account	19,668.29	21,025.60
Petty Cash	147.27	139.27
Reserve	6,072.25	6,072.25

Notes

- 1a Three payments totalling £535.42 were due in August 2024 but not paid until September 2024, after the previous End of Year. They have not been included in the Expenses shown above as it was included in last year's expenses. This brings the opening Current Account balance down to £20,490.18.
- 1b Subscriptions of £630 were received in August 2024 but not due until September 2024; these have been included in the Income shown above.
- 2 £3,451.67 was paid into Petty Cash for the sale of Tickets, Programmes, Concert Folders, Music scores, a few Subscriptions and Bar income over the year; £3,443.67 of this was transferred to the Current Account, all included in the figures above. This resulted in a net increase of Petty Cash of £8.00.
- 3 Gift Aid for the year ending 31/8/2024 was claimed in Autumn 2024 and included in the figures above; Gift Aid for the year ending 31/8/2025 will be claimed in Autumn 2025.
- 4 Three Concerts were held in the year ended 31st August 2025; two in December 2024 and one in May 2025. One of the December Concerts was held for the charity Maggie's Southampton so no income was received but £1,752 of costs was paid by ACC as a donation to this charity. The Choir also performed at the Watercress Festival in May for which there were no ticket sales or costs but a donation of £300 was received from the Festival organisers.
- 5 In June 2024, £5,000 was paid to the Hanover Band as deposit for May 2025 Concert. This has not been included in the above figures. The total cost of the Hanover Band for the May 2025 Concert was £10,000. The second payment of £5,000 was made in March 2025 as a charitable donation to the Hanover Band, at their request. A further charitable payment of £3,000 was made to the Hanover Band in June 2025 for a Concert in 2026. Both of these charitable payments are shown in the above figures.
- 6 In June 2025, £50 was paid as a charitable donation to Homestart at the request of the Concert photographer who did not charge for her time as photographer. This is included in the above accounts.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Alresford Community Choir

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Alresford Community Choir ('the Charity') for the year ended 31 August 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees, 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 Charity'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 in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts did 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 this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date: 11 December 2025

