

LYMM FESTIVAL

England & Wales · Charity number 1154232

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2013-10-17

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

Contact

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Lymm
Cheshire
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Activities

Objects: (1) TO ADVANCE THE ARTS FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY THE PROVISION OF AN ARTS FESTIVAL AND WORKSHOPS.(2) TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN THE HERITAGE OF LYMM.

Activities: The charity works to advance the arts for the public benefit, in particular but not exclusively by the provision of an arts festival and workshops in Lymm, Cheshire.The charity also works to advance the education of the public in the heritage of Lymm.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Warrington

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£41,763	£44,198	-	-
2024-08-31	£36,107	£34,938	-	-
2023-08-31	£40,854	£39,120	-	-
2022-08-31	£38,066	£40,015	-	-
2021-08-31	£14,993	£6,585	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
IAN GEORGE MARKS	Chair	2024-11-01
Adrian James Bull		2026-05-01
Ann Dobson		2026-05-01
Carol Mary Devine		2026-05-01
Christine Hamlin		2024-11-01

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Accounts

LYMM FESTIVAL CIO
Charity number 1154232

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND
ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31st AUGUST 2025

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

- a. The charity's name is LYMM FESTIVAL CIO ("Charitable Incorporated Organisation").
- b. Its registration number is 1154232.
- c. The address for correspondence is 39 Mill Lane, Lymm Cheshire WA13 9SD
- d. The following were Trustees at the date of this report:
 1. Adrian Bull
 2. Carol Devine
 3. Ann Dobson
 4. Ian Marks
 5. Christine Hamlin

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

- a. The CIO is governed by a Constitution, last amended on 19th September 2013. The Trustees delegate some of their powers to the Lymm Festival Committee in accordance with a document setting out the Terms and Conditions of Delegation, last amended 18th January 2014.
- b. There have been no changes to the Trustees during the year. If a vacancy for a Trustee occurs, then the existing Trustees will make that known and will approve any applicants before their appointment to the Board. The conditions of eligibility for trusteeship are set out in the Constitution.
- c. The CIO's committee meets monthly and has also established a number of sub-committees to facilitate the work of the full committee.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

- a. The financial position of the CIO at the year-end is set out in the accompanying accounts, which have been scrutinised by an Independent Examiner. The financial result for 2025 was a small deficit of £2,435 largely due to a number of collaborative community events at the Lymm Rugby Club. Nevertheless, the overall position of the CIO remains healthy.
- b. The Reserves Policy, as amended in November 2020, remains as follows:
 - General Reserve - at the financial year end, the reserve will be maintained at a level approximately equivalent to the loss of ticket and related income from a summer festival. In this way, all financial commitments could be met should this situation occur.
 - Restricted Reserve - there are no Restricted Reserves at present; a policy to govern any such reserves that may be created in the future will be drawn up at the appropriate time and with terms appropriate to the conditions attaching to the purpose of this reserve.
 - It is recognised that the level of the General Reserve will vary from time to time and so it will be reviewed periodically to reflect changes in the relevant income over the years.

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The charity's Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charities Commission in exercising their power and duties.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objects of the CIO are

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- a. To advance the arts for the public benefit, in particular but not exclusively by the provision of an arts festival and workshops
- b. To advance the education of the public in the heritage of Lymm

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Trustees are pleased to report that in 2025 we were able to put on a very successful Festival and celebrated our 27th event. We received funding from 27 sponsors and had the support of Cheshire's Mix56 radio station based in Lymm.

For eleven days in June, we put on a wide range of events that appeal to all ages and all sections of the community. One of the original aims of the Festival was to promote local talent and this remains true today. However, performers of regional, national and international note supplement this local emphasis. We also put on a few events at other times in the year.

We are proud to have received an award from Lux Life for the 'Best Community and Entertainment Festival in the North of England in 2025'.

Our events individually have a variety of financial outcomes. There is strict control over costs and our objective is to break even or make a small profit overall. This year, however, there was a small deficit of £2,435. Our bank balance though remains healthy.

In addition to the Festival Committee, we are fortunate to have a team of Volunteers who assist with stewarding, car park duty, the box office and ticket sales. Their commitment typifies the spirit of the Festival and how it has become an essential part of the life of Lymm village.

The Festival itself is not allowed to donate money to other charities but we positively encourage other organisations who organise events under the Festival banner to raise money for a variety of causes. Local businesses, hotels, restaurants, pubs, church halls, sports clubs, schools and community organisations all benefit from Festival events.

Plans are well in hand for our 2026 Festival.

Ian Marks
Chairman

September 2025

LYMM FESTIVAL

ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

Registered Charity 1154232

Lymm Festival 2025

Income and Expenditure Account

	Yr 2025	Yr2024
	£	£
Income		
Ticket sales - Festival	23,652	18,749
Ticket sales - Winter Warmers	2,446	1,828
Third Party Income	4,870	4,550
Lymm Parish Council Funding	0	0
Sponsorship	5,900	6,250
Registration Fees	500	500
Gift Aid	410	377
Event Participation Fees	2,100	2,100
Friends of Lymm Festival	1,075	1,045
Donations received	233	314
Other income	577	394
	<u>41,763</u>	<u>36,107</u>
Expenditure		
Professional Fees	2,527	2,085
Performers Fees	10,220	8,143
Ticket sales returned to performers	10,751	5,857
Venue Hire	738	579
Equipment Hire	3,382	937
Programme publication	3,681	3,350
Printing and Stationery	160	119
Postage	0	20
Publicity	2,779	2,827
Insurance	1,167	1,093
PRS Fees	498	101
Website costs	837	2,301
Purchase of Equipment	9	0
Travel expenses	0	97
Refreshments	583	506
Paypal RomanCart Fees	420	420
Paypal Processing Fee	622	475
Administrative expenses	0	260
General Expenses	844	1,118
Licence fees	0	20
Income returned to Third Parties	4,870	4,550
Competition Prizes	50	50
Bank and Card	60	30
	<u>44,198</u>	<u>34,938</u>
Deficit before Exceptional item	<u>(2,435)</u>	<u>1,169</u>
Loss on Event held from Legacy from Friend of the Festival	Note 2 (967)	(597)
Surplus/(Deficit) - Other	(1,468)	1,766
Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>(2,435)</u>	<u>1,169</u>

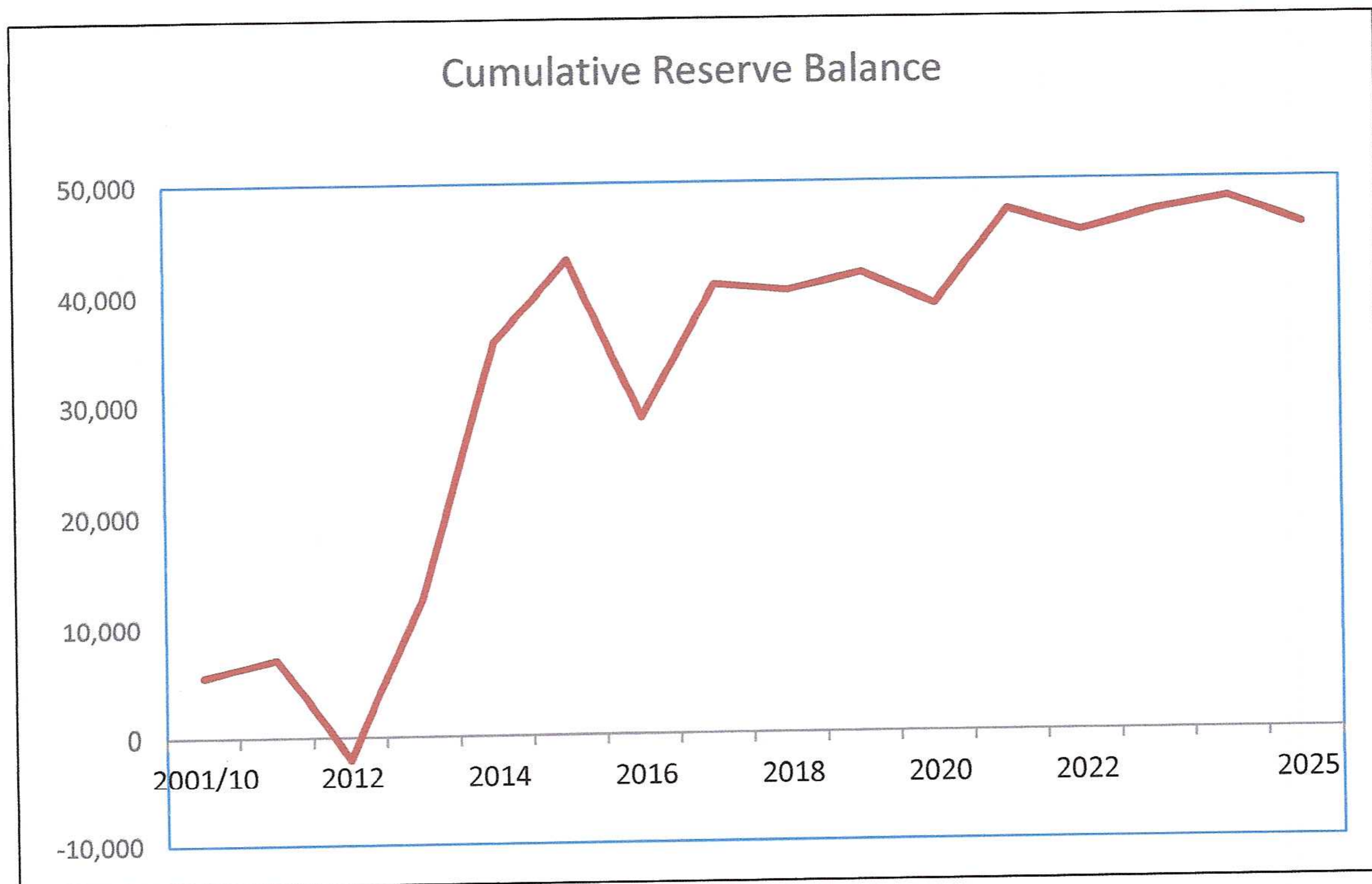
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Lymm Festival 2025

Analysis of Reserve account

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	Unrestricted Reserve	Restricted Reserve	TOTAL
	£	£	£
	5,421		5,421
	1,644		1,644
	(9,000)		(9,000)
	14,536		14,536
	10,452	12,600	23,052
	3,061	4,391	7,452
	2,544	(16,991)	(14,447)
	12,112	0	12,112
	(556)		(556)
	1,534		1,534
	(2,837)		(2,837)
	8,408		8,408
	(1,949)		(1,949)
	1,734		1,734
	1,169		1,169
	(2,435)		(2,435)
	45,838	0	45,838



Notes to the Accounts

Basis of The Accounts

Income is recognised on each event by the receipts per the event

Lymm Festival 2025

Balance Sheet 31 August 2025

	Yr 2025	Yr 2024
	£	£
Current Assets		
Debtors	699	700
Payments In Advance	50	0
Cash at bank, PayPal and Zettle	Note 1 51,885	49,306
Cash at bank - Reserve Account	12	12
Current assets	52,646	50,018
Less Current liabilities		
Creditors and accrued expenses	(6,808)	(1,745)
Income in advance	0	0
	45,838	48,273
Reserve Account		
Balance brought forward	48,273	47,104
(Defici)/Surplus for the year	(2,435)	1,169
	45,838	48,273

Note 1. Includes PayPal balance of £5 (2024 £5) and an iZettle balance of £163 (2024 £163)

Analysis of Reserve Accounts	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2025
	Reserve	Reserve	
	£	£	£
Balance brought forward	38,870	0	38,870
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	(1,468)	0	(1,468)
Legacy from Friend of the Festival Balance	8,436	0	8,436
	45,838	0	45,838

Cash Flow Statement

	Yr 2025	Yr 2024
	£	£
Operating surplus	(1,468)	1,766
(Increase) / Decrease in Debtors	1	(262)
(Increase) / Decrease in Payments in Advance	(50)	0
(Increase) / Decrease in Tangible Asset	0	1,542
Increase / (Decrease) in Creditors	5,063	(874)
Increase / (Decrease) in Income in advance	0	(47)
Operating cash flow	3,546	2,125
Movement in Legacy	(967)	(597)
Opening cash and bank balances	49,318	47,790
Closing cash and bank balances	51,897	49,318

The accounts were approved by the Committee on 11th March 2026

Signed on behalf of the Committee:

Honorary Chairman: Ian George Marks..... 

Honorary Treasurer: Christine Margaret Hamlin 

Lymm Festival 2025

Independent Examiner's Summary Report

In accordance with the examiner's independent report attached , I confirm that, in my opinion, the above accounts are in agreement with the records presented to me.

Name: F Minaeian

Date: 7 / April / 2026

Signature: 

LYMM FESTIVAL

ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

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Lymm Festival 2025

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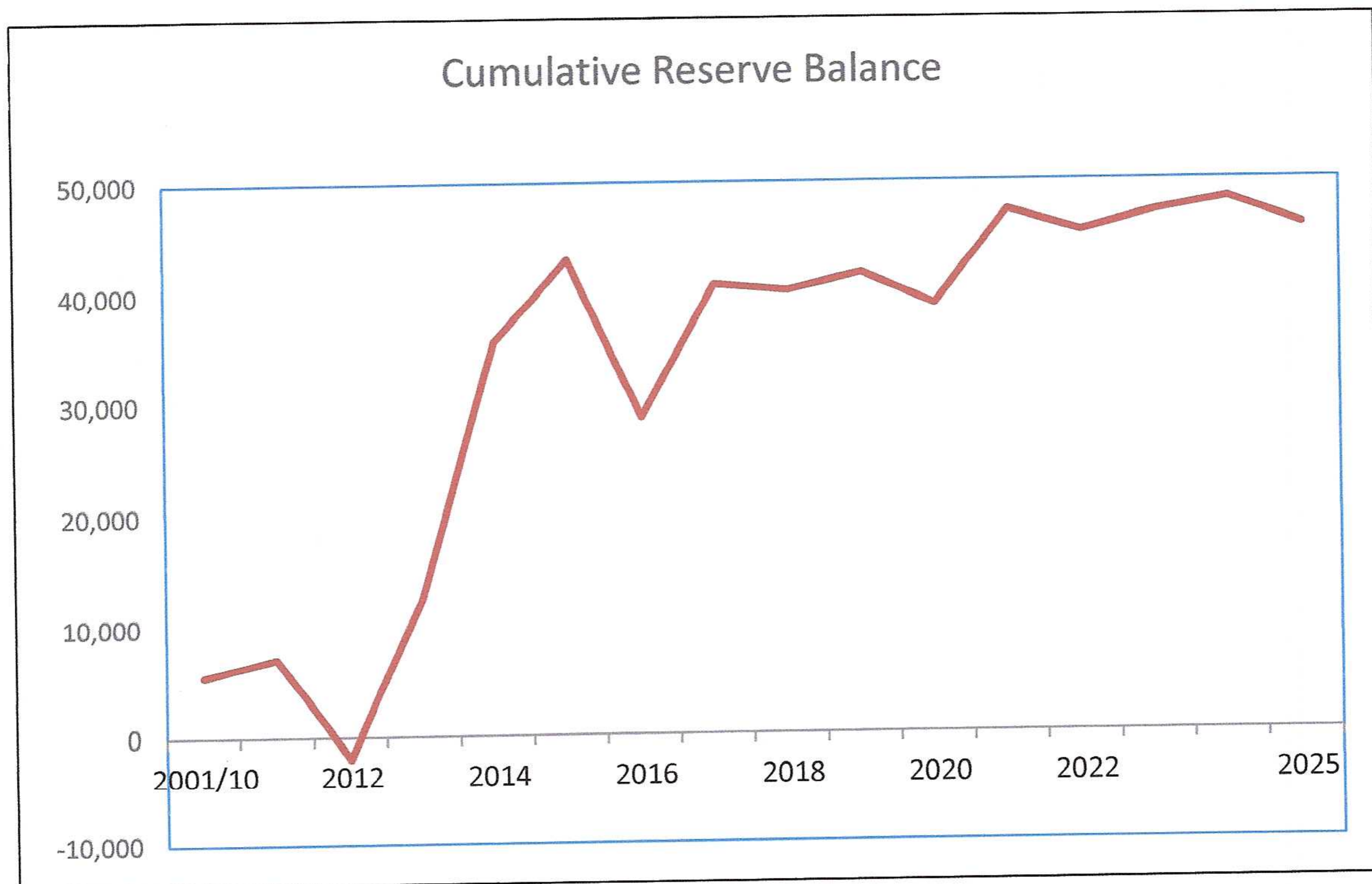
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Lymm Festival 2025

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Name: F Minaeian

Date: 7 / April / 2026

Signature: 

LYMM FESTIVAL

England & Wales - Charity number 1154232

Accounts

LYMM FESTIVAL CIO
Charity number 1154232

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- b. There have been some changes to the Trustees during the year, as the terms of office expired for one member. Two new trustees were duly appointed. If a vacancy for a Trustee occurs, then the existing Trustees will make that known and will approve any applicants before their appointment to the Board. The conditions of eligibility for trusteeship are set out in the Constitution.
- c. The CIO's committee meets monthly and has also established a number of sub-committees to facilitate the work of the full committee.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

- a. The financial position of the CIO at the year-end is set out in the accompanying accounts, which have been scrutinised by an Independent Examiner. The financial result for 2024 was encouraging, with a small surplus recorded. The overall position of the CIO remains healthy.
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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Trustees are pleased to report that in 2024 we were able to put on a very successful Festival and celebrated our 26th event. We received funding from 29 sponsors and had the support of Cheshire's Mix56 radio station based in Lymm.

As in the past, we put on a wide range of events that appeal to all ages and all sections of the community. One of the original aims of the Festival was to promote local talent and this remains true today. However, performers of regional, national and international note supplement this local emphasis.

Our events individually have a variety of financial outcomes. There is strict control over costs and our objective is always to make a small surplus overall. This year shows that surplus as £1,169. Our bank balance remains healthy.

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Ian Marks
Chairman
September 2025

LYMM FESTIVAL

ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

Registered Charity 1154232

Lymm Festival 2024

Income and Expenditure Account

	Yr 2024	Yr2023
	£	£
Income		
Ticket sales - Festival	18,749	19,651
Ticket sales - Winter Warmers	1,828	6,719
Third Party Income	4,550	3,735
Lymm Parish Council Funding	0	500
Sponsorship	6,250	4,900
Registration Fees	500	550
Gift Aid	377	438
Event Participation Fees	2,100	1,950
Friends of Lymm Festival	1,045	1,125
Donations received	314	325
Other income	394	961
	<u>36,107</u>	<u>40,854</u>
Expenditure		
Professional Fees	2,085	2,225
Performers Fees	8,143	11,693
Ticket sales returned to performers	5,857	4,721
Venue Hire	579	486
Equipment Hire	937	2,127
Programme publication	3,350	3,895
Printing and Stationery	119	262
Postage	20	18
Publicity	2,827	3,319
Insurance	1,093	892
PRS Fees	101	630
Website costs	2,301	2,178
Travel expenses	97	248
Refreshments	506	685
Paypal RomanCart Fees	420	144
Paypal Processing Fee	475	489
Administrative expenses	260	504
General Expenses	1,118	772
Licence fees	20	20
Income returned to Third Parties	4,550	3,735
Competition Prizes	50	40
Bank and Card	30	37
	<u>34,938</u>	<u>39,120</u>
Deficit before Exceptional item	<u>1,169</u>	<u>1,734</u>
Loss on Event held from Legacy from Friend of the Festival	Note 3 (597)	0
Surplus/(Deficit) - Other	<u>1,766</u>	<u>1,734</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>1,169</u>	<u>1,734</u>

Note 3. Children's Theatre Event held which was funded by the Legacy from Friend of the Festival

Lymm Festival 2024

Balance Sheet 31 August 2024

	Yr 2024	Yr 2023
	£	£
Current Assets		
Debtors	700	438
Payments In Advance	0	0
Intangible Asset	Note 2 0	1,542
Cash at bank, PayPal and Zettle	Note 1 49,306	47,779
Cash at bank - Reserve Account	12	11
Current assets	50,018	49,770
Less Current liabilities		
Creditors and accrued expenses	(1,745)	(2,619)
Income in advance	0	(47)
	48,273	47,104
Reserve Account		
Balance brought forward	47,104	45,370
(Defici)/Surplus for the year	1,169	1,734
	48,273	47,104

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Note 2. Development of new website in 2022 (£4,625) to be spread over 3 years too 2024.

Analysis of Reserve Accounts	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2024
	Reserve	Reserve	
	£	£	£
Balance brought forward	37,104	0	37,104
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	1,766	0	1,766
Legacy from Friend of the Festival Balance	9,403	0	9,403
	48,273	0	48,273

Cash Flow Statement

	Yr 2024	Yr 2023
	£	£
Operating surplus	1,766	1,734
(Increase) / Decrease in Debtors	(262)	6,058
(Increase) / Decrease in Payments in Advance	0	0
(Increase) / Decrease in Tangible Asset	1,542	1,542
Increase / (Decrease) in Creditors	(874)	(5,285)
Increase / (Decrease) in Income in advance	(47)	47
Operating cash flow	2,125	4,096
Movement in Legacy	(597)	0
Opening cash and bank balances	47,790	43,694
Closing cash and bank balances	49,318	47,790

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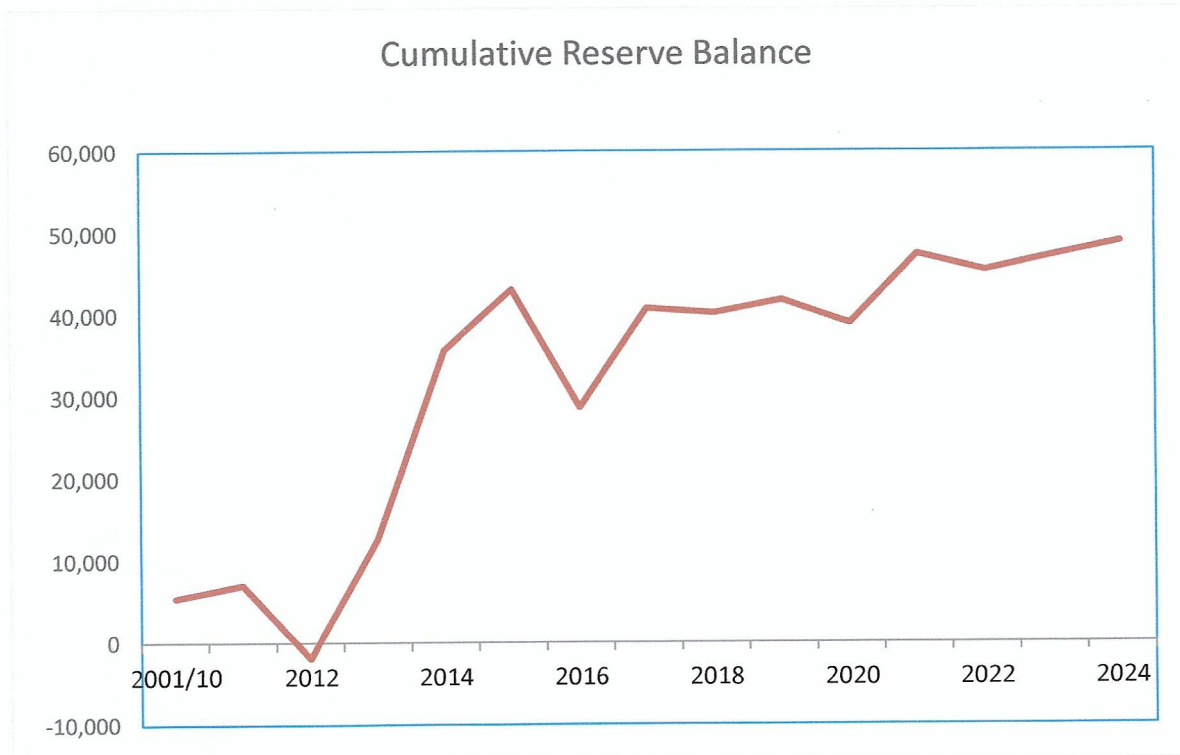
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Notes to the Accounts

Basis of The Accounts

The accounts are prepared on an accruals basis

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Lymm Festival 2024

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

- a. The financial position of the CIO at the year-end is set out in the accompanying accounts, which have been scrutinised by an Independent Examiner. The financial result for 2023 was encouraging, with a small surplus recorded. The overall position of the CIO remains healthy.
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As in the past, we put on a wide range of events that appeal to all ages and all sections of the community. One of the original aims of the Festival was to promote local talent and this remains true today. However, performers of regional, national and international note supplement this local emphasis.

Our events individually have a variety of financial outcomes. There is strict control over costs and our objective is always to make a small surplus overall. This year shows a modest surplus of £1,734. Our bank balance remains healthy.

In addition to the Festival Committee, we are fortunate to have a team of Volunteers who assist with stewarding, the Box Office and ticket sales. Their commitment typifies the spirit of the Festival and how it has become an essential part of the life of Lymm village.

The Festival itself is not allowed to donate money to other charities but we positively encourage other organisations who organise events under the Festival banner to raise money for a variety of causes. Local businesses, hotels, restaurants, pubs, church halls, sports clubs, schools and community organisations have all benefited from Festival events.

Ian Marks
Chairman
October 2024

LYMM FESTIVAL
UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023
Registered Charity 1154232

Lymm Festival 2023

Income and Expenditure Account

	Yr 2023	Yr2022
Income	£	£
Ticket sales - Festival	19,651	18,612
Ticket sales - Winter Warmers	6,719	4,220
Third Party Income	3,735	4,143
Lymm Parish Council Funding	500	1,000
Sponsorship	4,900	5,250
Registration Fees	550	0
Gift Aid	438	414
Event Participation Fees	1,950	2,400
Friends of Lymm Festival	1,125	1,235
Donations received	325	413
Other income	961	379
	<u>40,854</u>	<u>38,066</u>
Expenditure		
Professional Fees	2,225	3,040
Performers Fees	11,693	13,955
Ticket sales returned to performers	4,721	2,474
Venue Hire	486	163
Equipment Hire	2,127	3,642
Programme publication	3,895	3,138
Printing and Stationery	262	257
Postage	18	18
Publicity	3,319	2,397
Insurance	892	870
PRS Fees	630	450
Website costs	2,178	2,001
Purchase of equipment	0	37
Travel expenses	248	734
Refreshments	685	892
Paypal RomanCart Fees	144	144
Paypal Processing Fee	489	511
Administrative expenses	504	522
General Expenses	772	507
Licence fees	20	20
Income returned to Third Parties	3,735	4,143
Competition Prizes	40	40
Bank and Card	37	60
	<u>39,120</u>	<u>40,015</u>
Deficit before Exceptional item	<u>1,734</u>	<u>(1,949)</u>
Exceptional Item - Legacy from Friend of the Festival	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>1,734</u>	<u>(1,949)</u>

Lymm Festival 2023

Balance Sheet 31 August 2023

	Yr 2023	Yr 2022
	£	£
Current Assets		
Debtors	438	6,496
Payments In Advance	0	0
Intangible Asset	Note 2 1,542	3,084
Cash at bank, PayPal and Zettle	Note 1 47,779	43,683
Cash at bank - Reserve Account	11	11
Current assets	49,770	53,274
Less Current liabilities		
Creditors and accrued expenses	(2,619)	(7,904)
Income in advance	(47)	0
	47,104	45,370
Reserve Account		
Balance brought forward	45,370	47,319
(-)Deficit/Surplus for the year	1,734	(1,949)
	47,104	45,370

Note 1. Includes PayPal balance of £5 (2022 £3,381) and an iZettle balance of £163 (2022 £244)

Note 2. Development of new website in 2022 (£4,625) to be spread over 3 years. Intangible Asset in 2023 represents 1 year

Analysis of Reserve Accounts	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2023
	Reserve	Reserve	
	£	£	£
Balance brought forward	35,370	0	35,370
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	1,734	0	1,734
Exceptional Item - Legacy from Friend of the Festival	10,000	0	10,000
	47,104	0	47,104

Cash Flow Statement

	Yr 2023	Yr 2022
	£	£
Operating surplus	1,734	(1,949)
(Increase) / Decrease in Debtors	6,058	(6,292)
(Increase) / Decrease in Payments in Advance	0	2,580
(Increase) / Decrease in Tangible Asset	1,542	(3,084)
Increase / (Decrease) in Creditors	(5,285)	7,904
Increase / (Decrease) in Income in advance	47	(290)
Operating cash flow	4,096	(1,131)
Movement in Legacy	0	0
Opening cash and bank balances	43,694	44,825
Closing cash and bank balances	47,790	43,694

The accounts were approved by the Committee on 9th October 2024

Signed on behalf of the Committee:

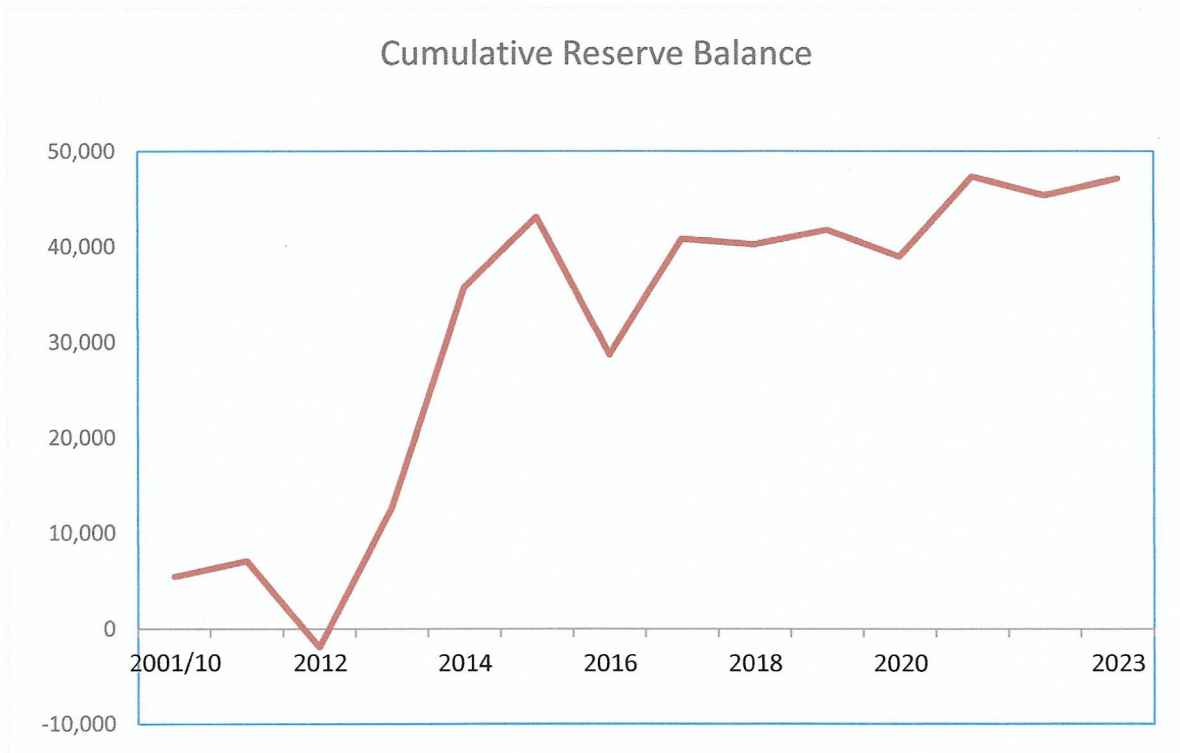
Honorary Chairman: Ian George Marks..... *I. G. Marks*

Honorary Treasurer: Christine Margaret Hamlin *C. Hamlin*

Lymm Festival 2023

Analysis of Reserve account

	Unrestricted Reserve	Restricted Reserve	TOTAL
	£	£	£
Surplus 2001 - 2010	5,421		5,421
Surplus 2011	1,644		1,644
Deficit 2012	(9,000)		(9,000)
Surplus 2013	14,536		14,536
Surplus 2014	10,452	12,600	23,052
Surplus 2015	3,061	4,391	7,452
Surplus 2016 less Payment of Reserve to LHTG	2,544	(16,991)	(14,447)
Surplus 2017	12,112		12,112
Deficit 2018	(556)		(556)
Surplus 2019	1,534		1,534
Deficit 2020	(2,837)		(2,837)
Surplus 2021	8,408		8,408
Deficit 2022	(1,949)		(1,949)
Surplus 2023	1,734		1,734
	47,104	0	47,104



Notes to the Accounts

Basis of The Accounts

The accounts are prepared on an accruals basis

Income is recognised on each event by the receipts per the event

Lymm Festival 2023

Independent Examiner's Summary Report

In accordance with the examiner's independent report attached , I confirm that, in my opinion, the above accounts are in agreement with the records presented to me.

Name: F Minaeian

Date: 9 October 2024

Signature: 

Lymm Festival 2023

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LYMM FESTIVAL

England & Wales - Charity number 1154232

Accounts

LYMM FESTIVAL CIO
Charity number 1154232

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND

ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31st AUGUST 2022

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

- a. The charity's name is LYMM FESTIVAL CIO ("Charitable Incorporated Organisation").
- b. The charity's registration number is 1154232.
- c. The address for correspondence is 5 Hunts Field Close, Lymm, Cheshire WA13 0SS.
- d. The following were Trustees at the date of this report:
 1. Ian Marks
 2. Christine Hamlin
 3. Alison Aldridge
 4. Ann Johnstone
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FINANCIAL REVIEW

- a. The financial position of the CIO at the year-end is set out in the accompanying accounts, which have been scrutinised by an Independent Examiner. 2022 was the first year back after the Covid pandemic which had meant that the Festival was cancelled for two years. A full programme of events was prepared and a new website design – all of which was very well received. The financial result for 2022 was encouraging with only a small deficit recorded despite the higher expenditure planned so the overall position of the CIO remains healthy.
- b. The Reserves Policy, as amended in November 2020, remains as follows:
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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Trustees are pleased to report that in 2022 we were able to put on a 'near normal' Festival after two years of disruption due to the COVID pandemic. Most of our sponsors continued to support the Festival again and some of the acts we had to cancel in 2021 also agreed to be part of our programme. We also redesigned our Festival website to mark the relaunch of events after the COVID years and again benefited from our collaboration with Lymm Community Radio.

As in the past we put on a wide range of events that appeal to all ages and all sections of the community. One of the original aims of the Festival was to promote local talent and this remains true today. However performers of regional, national and international note supplement this local emphasis.

Our events individually have a variety of financial outcomes. There is strict control over costs and our objective is always to make a small surplus overall. However, this year shows a small deficit of £1,949. Our bank balance remains healthy.

In addition to the Festival Committee, we are fortunate to have a team of Volunteers who assist with stewarding, the Box Office and ticket sales. Their commitment typifies the spirit of the Festival and how it has become an essential part of the life of Lymm village.

The Festival itself is not allowed to donate money to other charities but we positively encourage other organisations who organise events under the Festival banner to raise money for a variety of causes. Local businesses, hotels, restaurants, pubs, church halls, sports clubs, schools and community organisations have all benefited from Festival events.

Next year is the 25th Festival and we are looking forward to putting on a special programme of events to celebrate this.

Ian Marks
Chairman
February 2023

LYMM FESTIVAL

ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Registered Charity 1154232

Lymm Festival 2022

Income and Expenditure Account

	Yr 2022	Yr 2021
	£	£
Income		
Ticket sales - Festival	18,612	220
Ticket sales - Winter Warmers	4,220	515
Third Party Income	4,143	0
Lymm Parish Council Funding	1,000	0
Sponsorship	5,250	3,125
Gift Aid	414	204
Event Participation Fees	2,400	0
Friends of Lymm Festival	1,235	760
Donations received	413	169
Other income	379	0
	<u>38,066</u>	<u>4,993</u>
Expenditure		
Professional Fees	3,040	890
Performers Fees	13,955	0
Ticket sales returned to performers	2,474	0
Venue Hire	163	50
Equipment Hire	3,642	681
Programme publication	3,138	0
Printing and Stationery	257	146
Postage	18	26
Publicity	2,397	2,317
Insurance	870	555
PRS Fees	450	54
Website costs	2,001	96
Purchase of equipment	37	673
Travel expenses	734	14
Refreshments	892	0
Paypal RomanCart Fees	144	144
Paypal and Zettle Processing Fees	511	159
Administrative expenses	522	233
General Expenses	507	272
Licence fees	20	0
Income returned to Third Parties	4,143	0
Competition Prizes	40	215
Bank and Card	60	60
	<u>40,015</u>	<u>6,585</u>
Deficit before Exceptional item	<u>(1,949)</u>	<u>(1,592)</u>
Exceptional Item - Legacy from Friend of the Festival	0	10,000
Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>(1,949)</u>	<u>8,408</u>

Lymm Festival 2022

Balance Sheet 31 August 2022

	Yr 2022	Yr 2021
	£	£
Current Assets		
Debtors	6,496	204
Payments In Advance	0	2,580
Intangible Asset	Note 2 3,084	0
Cash at bank, PayPal and Zettle	Note 1 43,683	44,814
Cash at bank - Reserve Account	11	11
Current assets	53,274	47,609
Less Current liabilities		
Creditors and accrued expenses	(7,904)	0
Income in advance	0	(290)
	45,370	47,319
Reserve Account		
Balance brought forward	47,319	38,911
(-)Deficit/Surplus for the year	(1,949)	8,408
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Analysis of Reserve Accounts	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2022
	Reserve	Reserve	
	£	£	£
Balance brought forward	37,319	0	37,319
Deficit for the year	(1,949)	0	(1,949)
Exceptional Item - Legacy from Friend of the Festival	10,000	0	10,000
	45,370	0	45,370

Cash Flow Statement

	Yr 2022	Yr 2021
	£	£
Operating surplus	(1,949)	(1,592)
(Increase) / Decrease in Debtors	(6,292)	162
(Increase) / Decrease in Payments in Advance	2,580	(2,580)
(Increase) / Decrease in Tangible Asset	(3,084)	0
Increase / (Decrease) in Creditors	7,904	(164)
Increase / (Decrease) in Income in advance	(290)	(1,710)
Operating cash flow	(1,131)	(5,884)
Movement in Legacy	0	10,000
Opening cash and bank balances	44,825	40,709
Closing cash and bank balances	43,694	44,825

The accounts were approved by the Committee on 13th September 2023

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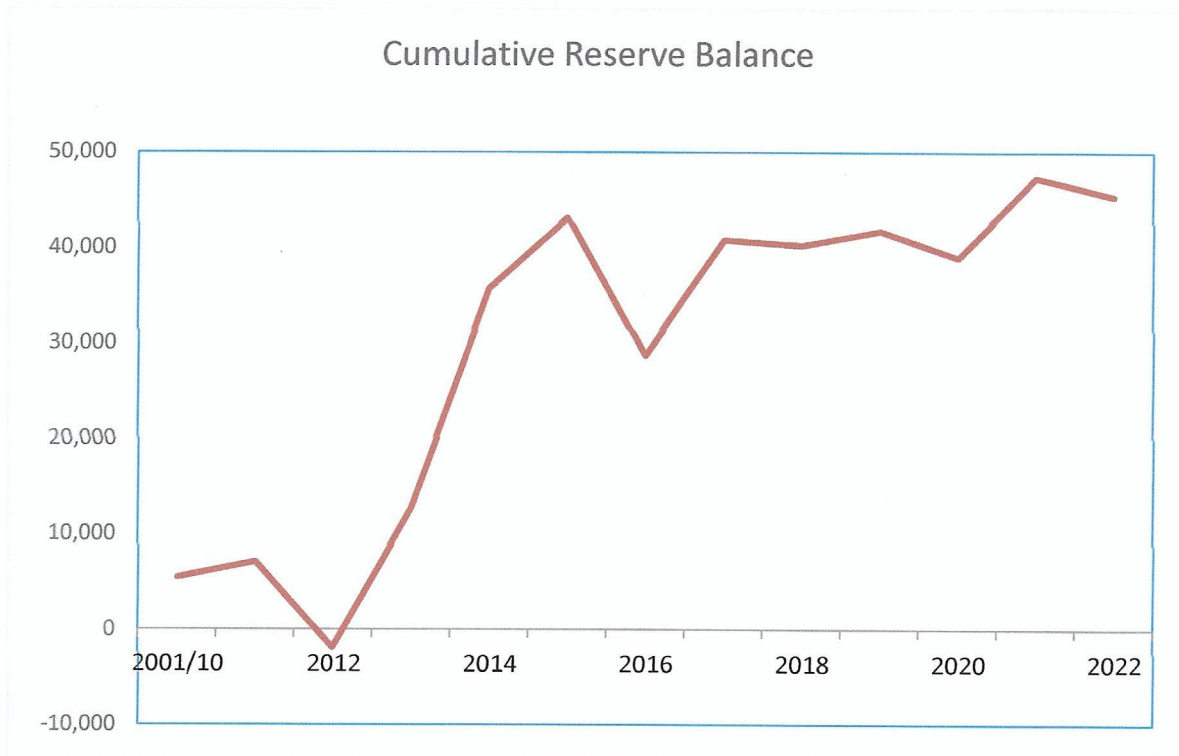
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Lymm Festival 2022

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Name: F Minaeian

Date: 12/12/2023

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Accounts

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

- a. The financial position of the CIO at the year-end is set out in the accompanying accounts, which have been scrutinised by an Independent Examiner. The result for 2021 was, once again, impacted by the cancellation of the summer Festival due to the Covid pandemic situation. However, expenditure was kept to a minimum and the outcome was satisfactory in the circumstances. In addition, the CIO received a legacy from a former Friend of the Festival and this helped to ensure that the overall financial position of the CIO remains healthy.
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The COVID pandemic once again affected the ability to put on the Summer Festival in 2021. A return to a more normal format is planned for 2022.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Due to the COVID pandemic, the summer Festival for 2021 had to be cancelled at short notice just as we had to cancel the 2020 event. However we did continue with a very small number of virtual events during our normal Festival period. Most of our sponsors have committed to support the Festival in 2022 and some of the acts also agreed to be part of our programme for next year assuming we return to 'normality'.

As in the previous year, we experimented with on-line performances and events on YouTube. We also collaborated with Lymm Community Radio. We learned from all this and this will stand us in good stead for the future even under 'normal' conditions.

The Trustees aim to put on a wide range of events that appeal to all ages and all sections of the community. One of the original aims of the Festival was to promote local talent and this remains true today. However under normal conditions, performers of regional, national and international note supplement this local emphasis.

Our events individually have a variety of financial outcomes. There is strict control over costs and our objective is to make a small surplus overall. However, due to the circumstances in which we found ourselves this year, we made a loss due to the fact that our decision to hold at least some events meant we incurred some costs that we were unable to cover from sponsorship and other sources. This meant that we used some of our reserves but, nevertheless, our bank balance remains healthy. We benefitted from a legacy of £10,000 from a 'Friend' of the Festival.

In addition to the Festival Committee, we are fortunate to have a team of Volunteers who assist with stewarding, the Box Office and ticket sales. Their commitment typifies the spirit of the Festival and how it has become an essential part of the life of Lymm village.

The Festival is not allowed to donate money to other charities but we positively encourage other organisations to raise money for a variety of causes. Local businesses, hotels, restaurants, pubs, church halls, sports clubs, schools and community organisations have all benefited from Festival events.

At the time of writing this report we do not know what course the pandemic will take. We very much hope that normality will return and that in 2022 we can put on another exciting Festival with live performances and events.

Ian Marks
Chairman
October, 2021

LYMM FESTIVAL

ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

Registered Charity 1154232

Lymm Festival 2021

Income and Expenditure Account

	Yr 2021	Yr 2020
	£	£
Income		
Ticket sales - Festival	220	0
Ticket sales - Winter Warmers	515	2,068
Third Party Income	0	0
Lymm Parish Council Funding	0	0
Sponsorship	3,125	0
Merchandise Income	0	11
Registration Fees	0	0
Gift Aid	204	366
Event Participation Fees	0	0
Friends of Lymm Festival	760	995
Donations received	169	540
Paypal Commission - Received	0	0
Other income	0	37
	<u>4,993</u>	<u>4,017</u>
Expenditure		
Professional Fees	890	1,038
Performers Fees	0	0
Ticket sales returned to performers	0	867
Venue Hire	50	406
Equipment Hire	681	0
Programme publication	0	0
Printing and Stationery	146	26
Postage	26	0
Publicity	2,317	1,573
Insurance	555	451
PRS Fees	54	237
Website costs	96	93
Purchase of equipment	673	0
Travel expenses	14	0
Refreshments	0	0
Paypal RomanCart Fees	144	0
Paypal Processing Fee	159	53
Administrative expenses	233	96
General Expenses	272	913
Licence fees	0	41
Income returned to Third Parties	0	0
Competition Prizes	215	0
Bank and Card	60	60
Heritage Centre Funding	0	1,000
	<u>6,585</u>	<u>6,854</u>
Deficit before Exceptional item	-1,592	-2,837
Exceptional Item - Legacy from Friend of the Festival	10,000	0
Surplus	<u>8,408</u>	<u>-2,837</u>

Lymm Festival 2021

Balance Sheet 31 August 2021

	Yr 2021	Yr 2020
	£	£
Current Assets		
Debtors	204	366
Payments In Advance	2,580	0
Cash at bank - Current Account	44,814	40,698
Cash at bank - Reserve Account	11	11
Current assets	<u>47,609</u>	<u>41,075</u>
Less Current liabilities		
Creditors and accrued expenses	0	-164
Income in advance	-290	-2,000
	<u>47,319</u>	<u>38,911</u>
 Reserve Account		
Balance brought forward	38,911	41,748
(-)/Deficit/Surplus for the year	8,408	-2,837
	<u>47,319</u>	<u>38,911</u>

Note 1. Includes PayPal balance of £5 (2020 £5) and an iZettle balance of £244 (2020 £NIL)

Analysis of Reserve Accounts	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2021
	Reserve	Reserve	
	£	£	£
Balance brought forward	38,911	0	38,911
Deficit for the year	-1,592	0	-1,592
Exceptional Item - Legacy from Friend of the Festival	10,000	0	10,000
	<u>47,319</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>47,319</u>

Cash Flow Statement

	Yr 2021	Yr 2020
	£	£
Operating surplus	-1,592	-2,837
(Increase) / Decrease in Debtors	162	164
(Increase) / Decrease in Payments in Advance	-2,580	171
Increase / (Decrease) in Creditors	-164	-1,009
Increase / (Decrease) in Income in advance	-1,710	2,000
Operating cash flow	<u>-5,884</u>	<u>-1,511</u>
Legacy	10,000	0
Opening cash and bank balances	40,709	42,220
Closing cash and bank balances	<u>44,825</u>	<u>40,709</u>

The accounts were approved by the Committee on 8th June 2022

Signed on behalf of the Committee:

Honorary Chairman: Ian George Marks..... 

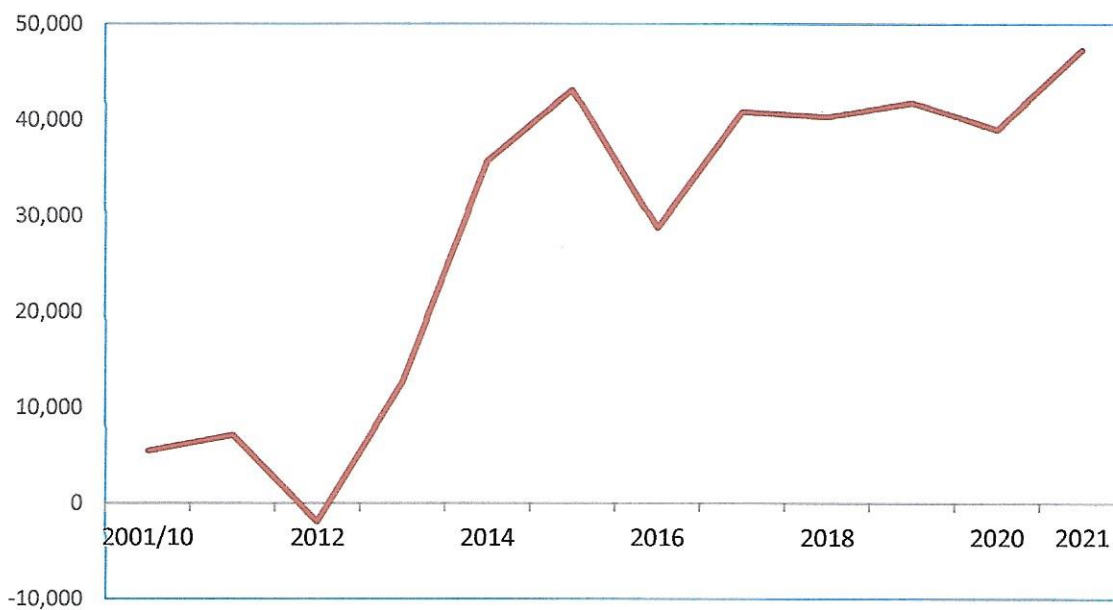
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Lymm Festival 2021

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Surplus 2001 - 2010	5,421		5,421
Surplus 2011	1,644		1,644
Deficit 2012	-9,000		-9,000
Surplus 2013	14,536		14,536
Surplus 2014	10,452	12,600	23,052
Surplus 2015	3,061	4,391	7,452
Surplus 2016 less Payment of Reserve to LHTG	2,544	(16,991)	-14,447
Surplus 2017	12,112		12,112
Deficit 2018	-556		-556
Surplus 2019	1,534		1,534
Deficit 2020	-2,837		-2,837
Surplus 2021	8,408		8,408
	47,319	0	47,319

Cumulative Reserve Balance



Notes to the Accounts

Basis of The Accounts

The accounts are prepared on an accruals basis

Income is recognised on each event by the receipts per the event

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Independent Examiner's Summary Report

In accordance with the examiner's independent report attached , I confirm that, in my opinion, the above accounts are in agreement with the records presented to me.

Name: F Minaeian

Date: 30 June 2022

Signature: 