

## **Pantonic All Stars Steel Orchestra Parents Association**

### **Annual report 2024/25**

Registered Charity 1155970

82 Northumberland Rd

Brinnington

Stockport

Cheshire

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### **Structure, governance and management**

Pantonic All Stars Steel Orchestra was founded in 1985 and registered as a charity on 28th February 2014. The Association operates with a constitution, developed for charity purposes at that date and detailing the organisation and responsibilities of management of the Association.

The Association is organised and managed by parents of players in the Orchestra, as well as some senior players who have been involved for over twenty five years. All the arrangements for the concerts and other events as well as the control of finance, are in the hands of a small committee consisting of seven trustees. In addition the Orchestra is supported by other player's parents for help in driving to events, safeguarding and our street collections.

The trustees were chosen from the existing management committee when the Orchestra was registered as a charity. As required trustees are selected from parents or players with similar backgrounds who show commitment to the organisation and well-being of the Orchestra.

### **Finance**

The Orchestra operates a current bank account for day to day payments and receipts. It also operates two building society accounts. One for savings which are accrued for the purpose of buying new instruments, funding tours within the UK or abroad and replacement of vehicles.

The second account is used to hold money collected in shopping precincts under street collection licences on behalf of the Royal Manchester Children's Hospital Bone Marrow Trust Fund (charity 702817), until it is donated to the charity annually.

This year the orchestra has continued its fundraising activities for the Manchester Children's Hospital Bone Marrow Trust Fund.

The Orchestra has collected for this charity since its foundation in 1985 and to the end of 2024/25 had raised £62,087 making the Orchestra the largest single donation contributor to the charity. We held a presentation evening and invited representatives from both The Manchester Children's Hospital Bone Marrow Trust Fund Charity and a lead consultant from Manchester Children's hospital. Both came along and gave a

talk about the charity and where the monies raised have help towards advancement in both treatment and research.

In addition to this, the orchestra is holding a further £1298 in a savings account to donate to the charity during the 25-26 financial period to total £63385

The accounts for the year show a net expenditure over income of £159.00. The Orchestra remains financially solid with two operational vehicles and sufficient steel pans and other equipment to support the size of the group.

The orchestra has continued to invest in, purchase of new instruments and equipment. Plus carry out necessary repairs and tuning to existing equipment.

### **Aims and objectives.**

1. 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;
2. To further such charitable purpose or purposes as the trustees in their absolute discretion shall think fit but in particular through the making of grants and donations.

The aims and objectives of the Orchestra have continued to be met during 2024/25 with the recruitment of several new young players, and the continued development of playing venues to maintain the interest of the players and provide a variety of public locations for performances.

The orchestra moved into its own premisses in September 2020 and has continued its operations and rehearsals to date from this location.

Two senior player and one junior player practices are held weekly, to provide the music educational aspects of learning new tunes and gaining improved musical ability in playing steel pan and supporting percussion.

### **Activities**

In addition to our regular weekly rehearsals, we have had a busy diary of around 40 events consisting of town centre locations where street collections are carried out, and providing entertainment at paid events.

Several new locations were added alongside attending our regular events.

The orchestra has carried out open days and free trial periods for new player recruitment purposes during the year. This is something we will continue to work on and address to ensure that we maintain a regular throughput of members.

In 2024/25 the Orchestra performed at venues in England, Wales, and Scotland.

The Orchestra currently has 33 players on its books, including senior players who play in an associate steel band, some of whom have been playing in the group since 1987. The total throughput of players in the year was 43 including those long service players who left for university or full-time employment, and young players who came for short periods to decide whether they wanted to take up playing steel pan through their teenage years. Young players are generally recruited from local primary schools where they have learnt to play basic steel music, or simply from seeing performances in local Stockport venues, which creates the interest to join the group and learn to play steel pan. They typically spend around twelve months in the junior section before promotion to the senior group.

Steven Marshall  
Chairman Trustee

Dated 31<sup>st</sup> December 2025

*S. Marshall*

Susan P Edge  
Secretary Trustee

Dated 31<sup>st</sup> December 2025

*S. P. Edge*

**PANTONIC ALL STARS STEEL ORCHESTRA PARENTS ASSOCIATION**  
**( REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1155970)**

**ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
**31ST MARCH 2025**

**PETER GICHERO**  
**ACCOUNTANT**  
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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF**  
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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Pantonic All Stars Steel Orchestra Parents Association (the Charity) for the year ended 31st March 2025, which are set out on pages 2 to 4.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

The charity's trustees 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 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 Charity as required by section 130 of the Act;
- 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.

**PETER GICHERO - ACCOUNTANT**  
**17 Bean Leach Avenue**  
**Stockport**  
**SK2 5JA**

**11<sup>th</sup> December 2025**

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**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Membership Fees	5,993	6,097	Tutors	5,555	5,645
Event Fees and Expenses	9,430	9,437	Own Vehicles:-		
Event Donations	5,424	6,749	Tax and Insurance	3,306	2,752
LEA Grant	3,000	3,817	Repairs	859	414
Other Grants	500	1,000	Fuel and Parking	2,619	2,801
			Miscellaneous Expenses	-	124
			Rehearsal Space Costs	9,803	9,240
Net Interest Received	654	677			
Tape and C D Sales	914	1,371	Cassette Tapes and CDs	283	411
Gift Aid Tax Recovered			General Insurance	649	664
Membership Fees	1,452	1,459	Instrument Maintenance	145	282
Small Donations 23/24	-	1,639	Website and Web Hosting	72	105
Small Donations 24/25	1,345	-	Accountancy Fees	498	504
RMCH Collections – Re 23/24	-	1,612	RMCH Donations – Re 23/24	-	1,612
RMCH Collections – Re 24/25	1,218	-	RMCH Donations – Re 24/25	1,218	-
			Provisions/Accommodation	2,295	2,022
			Clothing Costs	80	243
			Stationery and Advertising	143	241
Miscellaneous Income	118	-	Miscellaneous Expenditure	1,174	1,618
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>30,048</b>	<b>33,858</b>	<b>Total Expenses before Depreciation Charges</b>	<b>28,699</b>	<b>28,678</b>
			<b>Depreciation Charges:</b>		
			Vans	700	700
			Instruments/Other Equipment	808	685
	<b>30,048</b>	<b>33,858</b>		<b>30,207</b>	<b>30,063</b>
<b>Excess of Expenditure Over Income for the Year</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Excess of Income Over Expenditure for the Year</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,795</b>
	<b>30,207</b>	<b>33,858</b>		<b>30,207</b>	<b>33,858</b>

We confirm the annexed Income and Expenditure Account is a true record of the books and accounts of the Pantonic All Stars Steel Orchestra Parents Association for the year ended 31st March 2025

S. Marshall Chairman  
11<sup>th</sup> December 2025

S.P. Edge Secretary

**PANTONIC ALL STARS STEEL ORCHESTRA PARENTS ASSOCIATION**  
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**BALANCE SHEET**

**AS AT 31ST MARCH 2025**

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<b><u>FIXED ASSETS</u></b> ( Note 1 )		
Tangible Assets	16,922	18,124
<b><u>CURRENT ASSETS</u></b>		
Stock of CDs	661	596
Debtors and Prepayments	5,527	5,594
Cash at Bank	4,823	2,924
Building Society Accounts - Vernon B S	27,867	28,695
Cash Floats	207	209
	<u>39,085</u>	<u>38,018</u>
<b><u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u></b>		
Creditors and Accruals	594	570
	<u>594</u>	<u>570</u>
<b><u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u></b>	<u>38,491</u>	<u>37,448</u>
<b><u>TOTAL NET ASSETS</u></b>	<u>£ 55,413</u>	<u>£ 55,572</u>
<b><u>Representing:</u></b>		
<b><u>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</u></b>		
Balance at 1st April 2024	55,572	51,777
<u>Add:</u>		
Excess of Income Over Expenditure for the Year	-	3,795
	<u>55,572</u>	<u>55,572</u>
<u>Less:</u>		
Excess of Expenditure Over Income for the Year	( 159)	-
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**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**

**1. FIXED ASSETS**

	<b><u>Instruments</u></b>	<b><u>Motor</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
	<b><u>Other Equipment</u></b>	<b><u>Vehicles</u></b>	
	<b><u>£</u></b>	<b><u>£</u></b>	<b><u>£</u></b>
<b><u>COST/VALUATION</u></b>			
At 1st April 2024	49,275	40,043	89,318
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<b><u>NET BOOK VALUE</u></b>			
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At 31st March 2025	13,272	3,650	16,922
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