



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

**From 24th June 2024 To 23rd June 2025**

**Charity name: The Orgelbüchlein Project (OBP)**

**Charity registration number:1159651**

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>The objects of the CIO are:</p> <p>To advance, improve, develop and maintain public education in, and appreciation of, the art and science of music in all its aspects, in particular with relation to organ music and the works of J.S. Bach, by any means as the trustees see fit, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- the presentation of public concerts and recitals</li><li>- the use of music, drama, dance and literature to share culture and artistic experiences</li><li>- the creation of new music and making it available through performances, recordings and publications</li></ul>
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	<p>The OBP has continued to advertise and sell copies of its two published volumes, distribute other pieces in response to enquiry, edit music for the next volume to be published, disseminate information on performances and events, raise awareness of contemporary and historical organ music, especially in relation to Bach and his Orgelbüchlein.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>The trustees are aware of and have acted with regard to the CC's guidance on public benefit.</p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Formal policy on disbursement will be finalised when the six volumes of OBP are out and producing revenue.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

### 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	<p>The OBP continues to publish and promote the project (and more broadly, the Orgelbüchlein of J S Bach). The website is continuing to develop. The year has seen a number of events, initiated by or partnered by the OBP:</p> <p>A paper on the Project was delivered at the Bach Network conference, 8/7/24. Awareness was raised of the OBP in the academic community.</p> <p>OBP continued to promote the project in recitals around the world (eg Vienna Cathedral, 25/7/24, Katharinenkirche Hamburg 4/8/24, S Vincent Carcassonne 31/8/24, Leeds Cathedral 4/11/24).</p> <p>The Edinburgh Society of Organists promoted an Orgelbüchlein Workshop on 5/4/25. New pieces were played and a presentation was given by William Whitehead on the project, giving composers a chance to hear their work and develop their thinking, and for the audience to learn more about the OBP.</p> <p>In general, pieces from the project continue to be heard in liturgies and concerts all round the world. Volumes of music are sold via the project website. Twitter (X) and Facebook accounts deliver news, share videos and promote the project. Enquiries to the website are fielded.</p>

**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	The trustees are satisfied that income from donations and sales of volumes are continuing.
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 was in funds to the value of £13,231 at the end of the financial period (23/6/25). The trustees resolved that the reserves were at an appropriate level to pursue the objectives of OBP.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held to fulfill the objectives of OBP.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£13,355 (at 19/4/26)
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The Charity Trustees confirm that OBP is a 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	Donations and sales of the current volumes.
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
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
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	Elected by trustees. Individuals are considered for the role of trustee based on an assessment of their skills, knowledge and experience in the context of the objectives of OBP, and their ability to contribute to the effective administration of 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	The Orgelbüchlein Project
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1159651
Charity's principal address	9, Fore St, Hatfield, Herts. AL9 5AN

**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	William Whitehead			
2	Andrew Prior	Secretary and Treasurer		
3	Kenneth Richardson			
4	Peter McGeary	Chairman		
5	Anna Kenyon			
6	Gavin Barrett			
7	Jeremiah Stephenson			

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

### Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

### 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

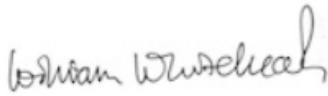
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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

	
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Full name(s)

William John Richard Whitehead	
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Trustee / Curator	
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Date

20 April 2025
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## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

Period start date  
24/06/2024

To

Period end date  
23/06/2025

### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
	6 695	-	-	6 695	4 326
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b> (Gross income for AR)	6 695	-	-	6 695	4 326
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	6 695	-	-	6 695	4 326
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
	4 580	-	-	4 580	4 399
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	4 580	-	-	4 580	4 399
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	4 580	-	-	4 580	4 399
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	2 115	-	-	2 115	- 73
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	11 116	-	-	11 116	11 189
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	13 231	-	-	13 231	11 116

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		13 231	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	13 231	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets		0	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		0	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Andrew Glennon Prior	14th April 2026	