



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/08/2023 Period start date
To 31/07/2024 Period end date

Charity name: SYMPHONY CONSORT

Charity registration number: 1164536

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The object of the CIO is, for the public benefit, the advancement of the Christian faith in the London and such other parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity Trustees may from time to time decide.
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	The activities carried by the charities includes 1. Fundraising and Networking: Strengthening Our Foundation Recognising the importance of sustainability, we engaged in significant fundraising and networking activities throughout the year. These efforts not only bolstered our financial stability but also expanded our network of supporters and collaborators. By hosting fundraising events and participating in networking forums, we cultivated relationships that are essential for the longevity and growth of our initiatives 2. Global Advocacy: Fostering Relationships and Community Building Our advocacy work took on a global dimension as we engaged with communities and organisations worldwide. We focused on relationship-building and community development efforts to amplify voices and

		address pressing social issues. Through conferences, workshops, and collaborative projects, we contributed to a global dialogue on equality, inclusion, and empowerment. 3.Fostering Literacy Talent Throughout the year, Symphony Books focused on developing relationships with aspiring authors from diverse backgrounds. We worked closely with these writers, offering support and guidance to help them refine their craft and navigate the path toward publication. By investing in emerging voices, we aim to amplify diverse perspectives and contribute meaningfully to the literary community in the years to come 4.Partnerships and Collaborations Our organisation strengthened existing partnerships and forged new collaborations. By providing advice, guidance, project management, and facilitation services, we extended our impact and supported a variety of community initiatives. These collaborative efforts were instrumental in addressing complex challenges and enhancing our collective capacity to effect positive change. 5. Overcoming Challenges and Looking Forward While we celebrated many successes, we also navigated challenges such as scaling our programs and ensuring resource allocation met the growing demands. Our team's adaptability and commitment were crucial in overcoming these hurdles. We continually reassessed and refined our strategies to align with our expanding vision and the needs of the communities we serve
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	We can confirm that the trustee have had regard to the guidance issue by the charity commission

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
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	Our Charity continued to provide various activities to ensure that the Christian religion were advanced in our local environment. Activities such as 1. Global Advocacy: Fostering Relationships and Community Building - We worked closely with these writers, offering support and guidance to help them refine user craft and navigate the path toward publication. - Our organisation strengthened existing partnerships and forged new collaborations. By providing advice, guidance, project management, and facilitation services, we extended our impact and supported a variety of community initiatives

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	

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	YES
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	YES
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

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	
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:		TRUST
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO - FOUNDATION
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	Name of any person or body entitled to appoint one

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	SYMPHONY CONSORT
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1164536
Charity's principal address	43 Lea Hill Road BIRMINGHAM B20 2AS

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	Stefan Brown	CHAIR		
2	Demi Ariyo			
3	James Thompson			
4	Noreen Harris			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

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



Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>Stefan Brown</i>	
Full name(s)	Stefan Brown	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	03/07/2025	

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR 31 JULY 2024**

SYMPHONY CONSORT

Report and Accounts For the year 31 July 2024

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Registered Charity Number
1164536

Trustees
Stefan Brown
Demi Ariyo
James Thompson

Accountants
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305A WELLINGBOROUGH ROAD
NORTHAMPTON
NN1 4EW

Registered Address
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B20 2AS

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees of Symphony Consort are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Account Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which gives 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 of that period.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

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 statements comply with Charities Act 2016, The Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulation 2008 and the provisions of the Trust Deed. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the board of trustees

Stefan Brown

27th of June 2025

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Report and Accounts For the year 31 July 2024

We have prepared the financial statements of Symphony Consort for the year ended 31 December 2022 in accordance with the financial reporting framework of United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice

This report is made solely to the charitable trustees, as a body in accordance with

section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulation made under Section 154 of the act.

The Trustees are responsible for preparation of financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view

In Accordance to your Instruction we have prepared the accounts of Financial activities, Statement of Financial position as well as related notes from the accounting records of the company and explanation you have given to us.

We have not carried out an audit or any review and consequently we do not want to express an opinion on these accounts.

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305A WELLINGBOROUGH ROAD
NORTHAMPTON
NN1 4EW
1st of July 2023

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STATEMENT OF FINACIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year 31 July 2024

	2024	2023
	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Voluntary Income	53,735.00	38,506.00
Gift Aid	27,463.00	1,389.00
Total Income	81,198.00	39,895.00
PAYMENTS		
Consultancy	38,340.00	25,507.00
Programme Activity Cost	21,654.00	12,029.00
Accountancy Fees	2,910.00	1,176.00
General Travel	6,109.00	1,596.00
Insurance	-	32.00
Telephone	2,051.00	663.00
Advertising	400.00	653.00
Bank Charges	79.00	842.00
Office Cost	494.00	30.00
Sundry	-	165.00
Total Expenses	72,037.00	42,693.00
Surplus/Deficit	9,161.00	2,798.00

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STATEMENT OF FINACIAL POSITION

For the year 31 July 2024

	2024	2023
	Total Funds	Total Funds
FIXED ASSET		
Computer Equipment	2670.00	0.00
		0.00
	2670.00	
CURRENT ASSET		
Cash at Bank & in Hand	6062.00	0.00
CREDITORS		
Falling due witin one year	-15954.00	-15954.00
NET ASSETS / LIABILITY	-6792.00	-15954.00
Total funds	-6792.00	-15954.00

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NOTES

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Symphony Consort is an incorporated charity, registered in England and Wales.

The charity's number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, if the transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of the funds.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity.

Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

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

Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of the funds.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer and Equipment
Cost or Valuation	
At 1st of August 2023	0
Additions	2900
As at 1st of 31st of July 2024	2900.00
Depreciation	
As at 1st of August 2023	0
Charge for the year	-230
As at 1st of 31st of July 2024	-230
NET BOOK VALUE	
As at 1st of 31st of July 2024	2670

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

SYMPHONY CONSORT

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 July 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

1164536

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2023DD / MM / YYYY.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust'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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do 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 order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: OLADAPO SULAIMON FCCA

Date: 03/07/2025

Name: OLADAPO SULAIMON FCCA

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED CHARTRED ACCOUNTANTS

Address:

305A WELLINGBOROUGH ROAD
NORTHAMPTON

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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