

# **CUMNOR CHORAL SOCIETY**

**Charity Number 1165970**

## **TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2024**

The Society has been in continuous existence since 1958 and became a registered Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) number 1165970, on 10 March 2016.

The object of the CIO is to promote, improve, develop and maintain public education in and appreciation of choral music in all its aspects by the presentation of public choral concerts, and by other such means as the CIO, through its management committee, may from time to time determine.

The management of the Society is vested in an Executive Committee comprising the Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Musical Director.

**Trustees:** Stephen Kinsey, Janet Foster, Juliana Earl, Stephen Morris

**Committee Chair:** Stephen Morris

**Secretary:** Alison Madden

**Treasurer:** Stephen Kinsey

**Musical Director:** Benjamin Goodall

The principal address of the Society is 26 Dean Court Road, Oxford, OX2 9XD.

Since the income of the Society is below £25,000, there is no requirement for its accounts to be independently examined by an accountant. The accounts were approved by the Executive Committee on 24 October 2024.

### **Statement of Trustees' responsibilities**

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Society as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit for that period. In preparing the financial statements suitable accounting policies have been adopted and consistently applied to the best of the Trustees' knowledge and belief by reference to reasonable and prudent judgments and estimates. Applicable accounting standards have been followed. The Trustees are responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records, for safeguarding the assets of the Society, and for preventing and detecting fraud and other irregularities. The Trustees are also required to indicate where the financial statements are prepared other than on the basis that the Society is a going concern.

### **Activities for the year**

Our Spring 2024 concert celebrated the centenary of Charles Villiers Stanford with performances of Six Bible Songs and Songs of the Fleet. A shorter term was organised for the summer, leading to a "Come & Sing" performance in late May of a selection of choruses from Gilbert & Sullivan operettas.

The Trustees have taken due account of the public benefit guidance of the Charity Commission.

Stephen Kinsey, Trustee

10 May 2025

**CUMNOR CHORAL SOCIETY CIO**  
**Statement of Financial Activities**

<b>Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Income</b>		
Subscriptions	3734.00	2970.00
Tea & coffee	362.00	250.00
Ticket sales	2646.71	1974.00
Donations	349.00	51.04
Music	407.00	235.00
Gift Aid	613.45	0.00
Collection for P. Foster	n/a	372.00
 Total Income	 8109.16	 5852.04
 <b>Expenditure</b>		
Musical director	2400.00	2000.00
Accompanist	1400.00	900.00
Room hire	686.00	485.50
Music hire	267.60	296.00
Musicians	2000.00	2500.00
Concert expenses	788.50	1067.37
Printing	569.00	211.00
Gift for P. Foster	n/a	381.00
Tea & coffee		45.00
Website development	73.50	
Total expenditure	8184.60	7885.87
 Surplus/(deficit) for the year	 (72.44)	 (2033.83)

## Balance Sheet

Assets	2024	2023
	£	£
Bank Account	1719.05	1791.49
Total Assets	1719.05	1791.49
<b>Represented by</b>		
General Fund b/f	1791.49	3825.32
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	(72.44)	(2033.83)

## NOTES TO THE 2023-2024 ACCOUNTS

1. The Society's bank statements are checked regularly by the Chair and Treasurer against copies of paid invoices, including conductor's fees and room hire charges.
2. A Gift Aid tax repayment and improvements to income from subscriptions, ticket sales and donations contributed to a substantially reduced deficit.
3. The financial reserves policy approved by the committee is to hold enough cash in reserve to fund one concert. It is expected that in the coming year our reserves will approach the desired level of approximately £3000.