

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st January 2023

Macclesfield Brass

A charitable incorporated organisation, also known as MB.

Charity registration number 1167452

Principal address

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Trustees

The following trustees were reappointed at the AGM on 27 April 2022

Elan Paton (Chair)

Amanda Moss (Treasurer)

Elizabeth Hudson

Jenny Lyons (Health and Safety officer)

Caroline Proudlove

Trustees are appointed by the members at the annual general meeting. Appointments of trustees at other times may be made by the members or trustees. All appointments are held until the next general meeting at which the trustees retire and are eligible for reappointment.

Lifting of covid restrictions and return of players to band activities

Due to the lifting of Covid restrictions during the year, band rehearsals became easier to manage. Players who had been unable to attend regularly during 2021-2022 resumed rehearsals.

We returned to playing at a variety of different events and having our performances enjoyed by very many people. Events which stood out were playing on the bandstand at Victoria Park with Blackley Band, the Jubilee event at Heaton and the Garden Party at Bosley. We successfully returned to playing at smaller venues with small groups of players. Perhaps most memorable was our return to the Whit Friday marches, including being the first band to play at Delph for three years. The band also won their very first award for performing at this event - we presented commemorative trophies to the bass section to mark their well-earned achievement at Denton.

New rehearsal venue

Morton Hall had hosted our rehearsals throughout the covid period, and we appreciated their readiness to put all the necessary precautions into place to welcome us. Unfortunately, in May it was announced that the Hall would be closing in July 2022. As a result, the band moved to rehearse at Beech Hall School on a temporary basis until a new venue could be found.

Towards the end of this reporting year arrangements were made to rehearse permanently at St John's Church, Macclesfield starting in February 2023.

Resignation of MD and recruitment of new MD

In October our MD Liz Hudson announced her intention to move away from the area, after making a huge contribution to the creation of the band and its successful development since 2016. The Trustees launched a thorough and careful recruitment campaign. The happy outcome was that we now have a new MD, Charlotte Danford..

Charlotte worked alongside Liz during a transition period in January and took over as MD after Liz's departure in February 2023.

I would like to take this opportunity to put on record our gratitude to Liz for all she has done for the band since our inception. We wish her well and look forward to catching up with her later in 2023.

Elan Paton

Chair, Macclesfield Brass

July 2023

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature : Jenny Lyons Trustee

Signature : Amanda Moss Treasurer

Date July 13th 2023



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Macclesfield Brass

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
2/1/2022

To

Period end date
1/31/2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Subscriptions	4,432	-	-	4,432	1,513
Gift Aid	888	-	-	888	110
Donations	2,676	-	-	2,676	33
Performance Income	100	-	-	100	100
Refunds	40	-	-	40	-
Prize Money	30	-	-	30	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	8,166	-	-	8,166	1,756
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Asset sales	261	-	-	261	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	261	-	-	261	-
Total receipts	8,427	-	-	8,427	1,756
A3 Payments					
Premises and meeting costs	1,843	-	-	1,843	1,423
Training Day	238	-	-	238	-
Gifts, donations	1,423	-	-	1,423	401
Subscriptions	115	-	-	115	144
Insurance	99	-	-	99	95
Muzodo	44	-	-	44	38
Whit Friday	620	-	-	620	-
Travel Expenses	-	-	-	-	13
Harness	-	-	-	-	58
Sub total	4,382	-	-	4,382	2,172
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Instruments and Equipment	1,645	-	-	1,645	180
Music	289	-	-	289	188
Sub total	1,934	-	-	1,934	368
Total payments	6,316	-	-	6,316	2,540
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,111	-	-	2,111	784
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	5,236	-	-	5,236	6,020
Cash funds this year end	7,347	-	-	7,347	5,236

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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	7,347	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	