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Seaton Gateway Theatre Company Limited

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025



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Seaton Gateway Theatre Company Limited

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Reference and Administrative Details

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Seaton Gateway Theatre Company Limited

Strategic Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present their strategic report for the year ended 31 March 2025, in compliance with s414C of the Companies Act 2006.

Financial review

Total income in the period totalled £198,942, a decrease on the last period by £16,801. This can be broken down into income from donations and legacies (including patronage) of £43,936, Gift aid reclaimed of £10,583, income from grants of £11,250, income from Arts and Culture events (the main charitable activity) of £81,975, income from raising funds of £49,903 (including the sale of food and drink at events), and other income of £1,295.

The total expenditure of the Charity during this year amounted to £234,674 therefore a deficit has been made during the period. Expenditure that cannot be attributed to one single activity has been apportioned in the financial statements between cost of raising funds and the cost of charitable activities. The basis for apportionment is on the level of income generated by trading activities (raising funds) and also the income generated by charitable activities during the period as this is deemed to be the most reliable basis.

Policy on reserves

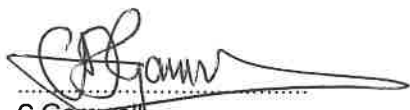
Our reserves policy follows the guiding principles from the Charities Commission SORP. At present Seaton Gateway Theatre only has the reserves as stated in the Statement of Financial Position.

It is our target to have £43,300 reserves.

- £5,000 cash flow reserve for day to day operations, reducing the risk for the need of overdrafts or loans.
- £38,300 - 3 months operating costs for any unforeseen eventuality.

Unrestricted reserves as at 31/03/2025 were in deficit which is not in line with our target reserves. The Trustees aim to increase free reserves so that they are held at a level in line with our policy.

The strategic report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 13/12/25 and signed on its behalf by:


C. Gamwell
Chairman and trustee

Seaton Gateway Theatre Company Limited

Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

To establish the Seaton Gateway Theatre Company which will promote, enhance, educate and provide Performing Arts and Cultural Activities for the benefit of the general public, visitors in Seaton and surrounding areas, preserving The Gateway Seaton Town Hall for future generations.

Our charity's aim is as set out in our memorandum;

- To make Seaton Gateway Theatre a destination venue with Performing Arts and Cultural activities, ensuring access to all regardless of age or ability.
- To make Seaton Gateway Theatre a venue that supports existing and potential artists, musicians and actors, by seeking opportunities to encourage and support development of Performing Arts and Cultural Activities.

Funding and grants

Our Manager has dedicated time to concentrate on funding applications and, whilst larger grants are now notoriously difficult to secure for the arts venues, she has been successful in receiving smaller sums of money which combine to significantly support the charity in it's work.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Use of volunteers

As new volunteers come and many long standing ones continue the theatre's great warmth of welcome is held together by this core team. Undoubtedly fundamental to the growing success of the theatre, we are indebted to our wonderful team of volunteers who never fail to amaze us with their commitment, hard work and cheerfulness. A regular social get together is held to show our huge appreciation to this team.

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Trustees' Report

Achievements and performance

2024-25 Chair's Report:

The 2024/25 financial year presented The Gateway Theatre Company with exceptional challenges that posed the most serious threat to date to the continuation of the charity. It is testimony to the huge support given to the charity that it is still in existence. With close liaison with our landlords, Seaton Town Council, we navigated a series of existential challenges to ensure that the theatre continues with its mission statement to provide a community venue and access to the performing arts.

The year commenced with a continuation of trends of previous years with April to October showing ticket sales up across a variety of entertainment and community events. Reflecting a growing reputation we had increasingly prestigious acts booked in for December and onwards, including Acantha Lang and Ferocious Dogs. However, a building insurance review by the town council revealed that there were H&S oversights including a lapse in the Electrical Installations Certificate Report renewal. Consequentially the building, including the Seaton Museum housed upstairs, had to be closed with no notice from the start of December until all H&S requirements were met to the satisfaction of the town council's insurers.

Aside from the considerable building improvements that were required, to which the charity was required by the terms of its Lease to contribute 50%, and technical equipment upgrades, for which the charity bear 100% responsibility, trustees acted comprehensively to revise policies and procedures, in close liaison with its Landlords the town council, to ensure that such circumstances could never recur.

With huge expenses involved, ticket refunds for any cancelled events (a few were relocated) and with no opening date there was no possibility of putting any ticket sales on for future events the future of the charity was in serious doubt. In such a scenario it was not appropriate to start a Go Fund Me campaign as it appeared that the continued existence of the Charity was in doubt.

Staff salaries continued to be paid but with no income and significant outgoings, trustees advised staff that notice of closure was imminent. However, an incredible act of generosity ensued as a small group of people donated sufficient funds to ensure that the staff were paid for the coming months and reserves could be put towards the impending bills. It was only then appropriate to start a Go Fund Me Campaign, knowing that the monies raised would go directly into building improvements, for the benefit of the community. Trustees held a public meeting to advise the community of what had taken place and what would be done to ensure we could move forwards. The community rallied and local financial support flooded in.

As a measure to improve future governance new trustees joined the board to bring greater specialised expertise and the H&S policies were completely rewritten. Trustees issued a questionnaire to the local community and theatre users to explore what was being well received and what needed improvement. There was extremely positive feedback regarding events being held and the warmth of the welcome and inclusion but there was a clear cry for reducing the cost of community hires. Trustees have acted on this.

Towards the end of this financial year the opening date was set at 23rd April. The charity returned to the building on that date and the new H&S protocols were implemented and all policies will continually be reviewed on a regular basis.

Further to the questionnaire carried out during closure there has been a detailed review of community involvement with a push for greater collaboration with community users such as Seaton Music Society, and fundraising events are being undertaken. Trustee oversight will be thorough as new policies are implemented.

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Trustees' Report

There is now a great deal of optimism about the future based on the incredible community support and feedback that the charity continues to receive. Very considerable improvements have been made in management oversight and governance, but the vision remains the same: To deliver accessible arts and entertainment and a social hub to the heart of the community.

Ensuring our work delivers our aims:

As the repertoire of the venue expands we are reaching a broader audience of local residents, the wider community and tourists with many mentioning that it is their first visit but won't be their last. We are mindful to maintain a warm welcome and accessibility to all and are working with local care homes and schools/nurseries to insure inclusion of the broadest age ranges whilst ensuring that strict safeguarding measures are in place. Staffing deployment has been streamlined for greater task efficiency separating financial responsibilities from front of house tasks. Likewise our Manager and Programmer are both focused on clearly delineated job descriptions to ensure lean but efficient staffing levels.

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Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, charity number 1167779. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which defined the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association.

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Trustees' Report

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The directors of the company are also the charity trustees. The directors are elected to serve for a period of 3 years, 2 terms maximum. The directors give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity. A director may be appointed by ordinary resolution at a general meeting providing the charity is given notice no less than 14 days to the meeting.

Organisational structure

The Trustees Board and Operations Manager meet on a quarterly basis, or as necessary to meet situations that may arise. The meeting reviews any outstanding actions from the previous meeting, our key performance indicators, finance, health and safety, goals and objectives as well as any other matters. Actions and ownership are assigned accordingly. Forthcoming events programme and any community activities are discussed at each meeting.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors of Seaton Gateway Theatre Company Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

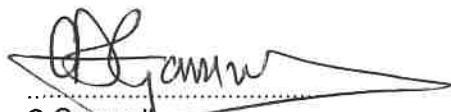
Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards, comprising FRS 102 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- 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 that can disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 13/12/25 and signed on its behalf by:


C Gamwell
Chairman and trustee

Seaton Gateway Theatre Company Limited

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Seaton Gateway Theatre Company Limited ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Seaton Gateway Theatre Company Limited as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.



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Date: 22/12/25

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2025 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	3	65,769	65,769	25,453
Charitable activities	4	81,975	81,975	112,786
Other trading activities	5	49,903	49,903	77,081
Investment income	6	-	-	248
Other income	7	1,295	1,295	175
Total income		<u>198,942</u>	<u>198,942</u>	<u>215,743</u>
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	8	(73,834)	(73,834)	(67,363)
Charitable activities	9	(160,840)	(160,840)	(153,373)
Total expenditure		<u>(234,674)</u>	<u>(234,674)</u>	<u>(220,736)</u>
Net expenditure		<u>(35,732)</u>	<u>(35,732)</u>	<u>(4,993)</u>
Net movement in funds		(35,732)	(35,732)	(4,993)
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		<u>32,412</u>	<u>32,412</u>	<u>37,405</u>
Total funds carried forward	21	<u>(3,320)</u>	<u>(3,320)</u>	<u>32,412</u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.
The funds breakdown for 2024 is shown in note 21.

The notes on pages 10 to 22 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

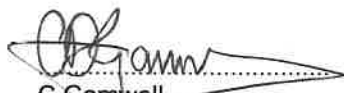
	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	15	47,504	54,084
Current assets			
Stocks	16	300	1,540
Debtors	17	11,112	4,764
Cash at bank and in hand		9,464	23,825
		<u>20,876</u>	<u>30,129</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	18	<u>(19,114)</u>	<u>(18,741)</u>
Net current assets		<u>1,762</u>	<u>11,388</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		49,266	65,472
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	19	<u>(52,586)</u>	<u>(33,060)</u>
Net (liabilities)/assets		<u>(3,320)</u>	<u>32,412</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>(3,320)</u>	<u>32,412</u>
Total funds	21	<u>(3,320)</u>	<u>32,412</u>

For the financial year ending 31 March 2025 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements on pages 8 to 22 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 22/12/25, and signed on their behalf by:


C Gamwell
Chairman and trustee

The notes on pages 10 to 22 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1 Charity status

The charity is limited by guarantee, incorporated in , and consequently does not have share capital. Each of the trustees is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 towards the assets of the charity in the event of liquidation.

The address of its registered office is:

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2 Accounting policies

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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)) (issued in October 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Basis of preparation

Seaton Gateway Theatre Company Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern nor any significant areas of uncertainty that affect the carrying value of assets held by the charity as at the end of the financial year.

Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

The charity satisfies the criteria of being a qualifying entity as defined in FRS 102. As such, no cash flow statement has been presented for the company as advantage has been taken of the disclosure exemption available under paragraph 1.12 of FRS 102.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Income and endowments

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of the income receivable can be measured reliably.

Donations and legacies

Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance by the charity before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that these conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

Grants receivable

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

Deferred income

Deferred income represents amounts received for future periods and is released to incoming resources in the period for which, it has been received. Such income is only deferred when:

- The donor specifies that the grant or donation must only be used in future accounting periods; or
- The donor has imposed conditions which must be met before the charity has unconditional entitlement.

Government grants

Grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the company will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received.

Where the grant does not impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received or receivable. Where the grant does impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income only when the performance-related conditions have been met. Where grants received are prior to satisfying the revenue recognition criteria, they are recognised as a liability.

Investment income

Dividends are recognised once the dividend has been declared and notification has been received of the dividend due.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Raising funds

These are costs incurred in attracting voluntary income, the management of investments and those incurred in trading activities that raise funds.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Grant expenditure

Grants payable are payments made to third parties in the furtherance of the charitable objectives. Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the recipient of the grant has provided the specific service or output.

Grants payable without performance conditions are recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and communicated to the recipient, and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity.

Grant provisions

Provisions for grants are made when the intention to make a grant has been communicated to the recipient but there is uncertainty about either the timing of the grant or the amount of grant payable.

Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, for example, allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees meetings and reimbursed expenses.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £150.00 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Leasehold Improvements	10 Years Straight line
Youth cafe equipment	20% reducing balance
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	20% reducing balance

Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell, after due regard for obsolete and slow moving stocks. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out (FIFO).

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Borrowings

Interest-bearing borrowings are initially recorded at fair value, net of transaction costs. Interest-bearing borrowings are subsequently carried at amortised cost, with the difference between the proceeds, net of transaction costs, and the amount due on redemption being recognised as a charge to the Statement of Financial Activities over the period of the relevant borrowing.

Interest expense is recognised on the basis of the effective interest method and is included in interest payable and similar charges.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the charity has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

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Pensions and other post retirement obligations

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme which is a pension plan under which fixed contributions are paid into a pension fund and the charity has no legal or constructive obligation to pay further contributions even if the fund does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employees the benefits relating to employee service in the current and prior periods.

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when they are due. If contribution payments exceed the contribution due for service, the excess is recognised as a prepayment.

Financial instruments

Classification

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the charity after deducting all of its liabilities.

Recognition and measurement

All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs), except for those financial assets classified as at fair value through profit or loss, which are initially measured at fair value (which is normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs), unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction. If an arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, the financial asset or financial liability is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are only offset in the statement of financial position when, and only when there exists a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and the charity intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Financial assets are derecognised when and only when a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are settled, b) the charity transfers to another party substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset, or c) the charity, despite having retained some, but not all, significant risks and rewards of ownership, has transferred control of the asset to another party.

Financial liabilities are derecognised only when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

Debt instruments

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

Investments

Investments in non-convertible preference shares and non-puttable ordinary or preference shares (where shares are publicly traded or their fair value is reliably measurable) are measured at fair value through profit or loss. Where fair value cannot be measured reliably, investments are measured at cost less impairment.

Investments in subsidiaries and associates are measured at cost less impairment. For investments in subsidiaries acquired for consideration including the issue of shares qualifying for merger relief, cost is measured by reference to the nominal value of the shares issued plus fair value of other consideration. Any premium is ignored.

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Donations and legacies;			
Donations from individuals	43,936	43,936	16,245
Gift aid reclaimed	10,583	10,583	-
Grants, including capital grants;			
Total grants	11,250	11,250	9,208
	<u>65,769</u>	<u>65,769</u>	<u>25,453</u>

4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Ticket sales	81,975	81,975	112,786

5 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £	Total 2024 £
Trading income;			
Bar and kitchen sales	30,525	30,525	54,101
Ice cream sales	840	840	1,277
Room hire	17,584	17,584	20,155
Events income;			
Fundraising events	954	954	1,548
	<u>49,903</u>	<u>49,903</u>	<u>77,081</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

6 Investment income

	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £
Bank interest receivable	-	248	248

7 Other income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Other income	1,295	1,295	175

8 Expenditure on raising funds

a) Costs of trading activities

Note	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £
Direct costs of trading activities	49,389	49,389	42,684	42,684
Staff Costs	24,832	24,832	25,007	25,007
Grants released	(387)	(387)	(328)	(328)
	<u>73,834</u>	<u>73,834</u>	<u>67,363</u>	<u>67,363</u>

Note	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £
Fundraising	176	176	216	216
Costs of goods sold	15,592	15,592	22,061	22,061
Depreciation	3,308	3,308	3,013	3,013
Other direct costs	21,478	21,478	9,487	9,487
Support costs 10	<u>8,835</u>	<u>8,835</u>	<u>7,907</u>	<u>7,907</u>
	<u>49,389</u>	<u>49,389</u>	<u>42,684</u>	<u>42,684</u>

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9 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Note	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £
Educating the public in the arts of theatre, performance and drama		108,819	108,819	104,223	104,223
Staff costs		37,458	37,458	36,591	36,591
Support costs	10	13,731	13,731	11,583	11,583
Loan interest		832	832	976	976
		<u>160,840</u>	<u>160,840</u>	<u>153,373</u>	<u>153,373</u>

10 Analysis of governance and support costs

	Charitable activity £	Raising funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Communication & IT	1,003	669	1,672	3,389
General office	3,379	2,242	5,621	9,962
Governance costs	9,349	5,924	15,273	8,311
	<u>13,731</u>	<u>8,835</u>	<u>22,566</u>	<u>21,662</u>

11 Net incoming/outgoing resources

Net outgoing resources for the year include:

	2025 £	2024 £
Depreciation of fixed assets	<u>8,265</u>	<u>8,422</u>

12 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

The amount expenses waived by the trustees during the year totalled £Nil (2024 - £Nil).

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13 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	61,253	60,545
Pension costs	1,037	1,053
	<u>62,290</u>	<u>61,598</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management / leadership team) employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2025 No	2024 No
Number of administrative staff	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year (2024: Nil).

14 Independent examiner's remuneration

	2025 £	2024 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for:		
Independent examination of the financial statements	620	589
All other services	4,287	4,138
	<u>4,907</u>	<u>4,727</u>

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15 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Youth cafe equipment £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2024	59,491	22,971	17,233	99,695
Additions	-	1,685	-	1,685
At 31 March 2025	59,491	24,656	17,233	101,380
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2024	15,305	17,420	12,886	45,611
Charge for the year	5,949	1,447	869	8,265
At 31 March 2025	21,254	18,867	13,755	53,876
Net book value				
At 31 March 2025	38,237	5,789	3,478	47,504
At 31 March 2024	44,186	5,551	4,347	54,084

16 Stock

	2025 £	2024 £
Stocks	300	1,540

17 Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade debtors	605	2,841
Other debtors	10,507	1,923
	11,112	4,764

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18 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Bank loans	5,650	5,650
Trade creditors	6,971	6,780
Other taxation and social security	1,300	1,043
Other creditors	756	181
Accruals and deferred income	4,437	5,087
	<u>19,114</u>	<u>18,741</u>

19 Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Bank loans	24,530	30,188
Other loans	10,000	-
Accruals	15,700	-
Deferred income	2,356	2,872
	<u>52,586</u>	<u>33,060</u>

20 Pension and other schemes

Defined contribution pension scheme

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension cost charge for the year represents contributions payable by the charity to the scheme and amounted to £1,037 (2024 - £1,052).

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21 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Unrestricted funds				
General	<u>32,412</u>	<u>199,588</u>	<u>(235,320)</u>	<u>(3,320)</u>

The Gateway has paid out significant costs in respect of refurbishment in the previous two years and this overspend has come from surplus reserves bought forward.

	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Unrestricted funds					
General					
General	25,405	216,550	(221,543)	12,000	32,412
Designated					
Designated Funds - Boiler	<u>12,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(12,000)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total funds	<u>37,405</u>	<u>216,550</u>	<u>(221,543)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32,412</u>

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22 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds at 31 March 2025 £
Tangible fixed assets	47,504	47,504
Current assets	20,876	20,876
Current liabilities	(19,114)	(19,114)
Creditors over 1 year	(52,586)	(52,586)
Total net assets	(3,320)	(3,320)

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds at 31 March 2024 £
Tangible fixed assets	54,084	54,084
Current assets	30,129	30,129
Current liabilities	(18,741)	(18,741)
Creditors over 1 year	(33,060)	(33,060)
Total net assets	32,412	32,412

23 Related party transactions

Other than the following, there were no related party transactions in the year (2024: Nil):

Trustees donated a total of £25,000 during the year.