

# WALTON & WEYBRIDGE AMATEUR OPERATIC SOCIETY

Registered Charity No 1169732

## Annual Report for the Period 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024

### Legal and Administrative Information

The Walton and Weybridge Amateur Operatic Society (whose working name is WWAOS), is registered with the Charity Commissioners (No 1169732). The Charity was registered with the Charity Commissioners on 18th October 2016, and its registered address is 15 Oberon Way, Shepperton, Middlesex TW17 0QR. Its governing document is a constitution dated 20th May 2021.

During the year the Charity has been administered by the Committee comprising:

Chair	Mr James Palmer (Trustee appointed 15 April 2019)
Vice Chair	Mrs Ellie Parsons
Secretary	Mr Robert Noble (Trustee appointed 19 May 2016)
Treasurer	Mr Mark Turvill (Trustee appointed 19 May 2016)
Members	Mrs Alicia Savory Miss Claire Leonard Mr Johnathan Payne Mr Andrew Tait

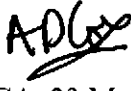
Until the AGM held on May 30th 2024, when the following Committee continued:

Chair	Mr James Palmer (Trustee appointed 15 April 2019)
Vice Chair	Mrs Ellie Parsons
Secretary	Mrs Alicia Savory
Treasurer	Mr Mark Turvill (Trustee appointed 19 May 2016)
Members	Mrs Amber Hayes Miss Shelby Myers Mr Robert Noble (Trustee appointed 19 May 2016) Mr Andrew Tait

### Agents and Advisers

Bankers Santander

Independent Examiner

 28/10/25  
Andrew Cox FCA 23 Meadowside Walton-on-Thames Surrey KT12 3LS

### Aims and Organisation

The area of benefit is the Borough of Elmbridge and surrounding areas. Its objects are to educate the public in the Dramatic and Operatic Arts, to further the development of public appreciation and taste in the said arts, to organise and run training courses to improve the ability and knowledge of its members and the public in general in the technical skills involved in being part of such productions, and to assist and further such charitable institutions and purposes as the Committee shall from time to time determine.

# **WALTON and WEYBRIDGE AMATEUR OPERATIC SOCIETY**

## **Independent Examiner's Report**

I report on the accounts for the year from 1 January to 31 December 2024

### **Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011, but an Independent Examination is required as the income is greater than £25,000.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act, and
- state whether particular items have come to my attention

### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity, and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirement to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act, and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met, or
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

Andrew Cox FCA  
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Signed

28/10/25

# **WALTON and WEYBRIDGE AMATEUR OPERATIC SOCIETY**

## **Financial Affairs Review for the Year 1 January – 31 December 2024**

### **Introduction**

As allowed by Section 42(3) of the Charities Act 1993, and as requested by the Charity Commissioners, the Trustees have prepared a Cash Flow Statement for the period 1 January to 31 December 2024, an Income and Expenditure Account for the financial year from 1 January to 31 December 2024, and a Balance Sheet (Statement of Assets and Liabilities) at 31 December 2024, the financial year end. A copy of the Accounts and the report of the Independent Examiner are given later in this report.

### **Overview**

In the year 1 January to 31 December 2024, cash increased by £2498 and for the financial year to 31 December 2024 there was a profit of income over expenditure on an accruals basis of £1,103.

### **Income and Expenditure**

The society prepares its annual accounts on a full accruals basis, so that all income and expenditure is recorded in the year to which it relates. The net loss from productions for the year 2024 was £3,115, but other income comprising subscriptions and donations (£6,173) and fundraising (£3,908), offset by administrative costs (£4,717), resulted in an overall profit of £2,249. We have made a prior year adjustment to remove Gift Aid Recoverable of £1,146, so an adjusted overall profit of £1,103.

### **Restricted Funds**

The Society has in the past received funds from 2 individuals; these funds are held within the Society's main accounts but are restricted in that they can only be used for the specific purposes identified by the donor. These are

- The Marjorie Moss Bequest, donated to be given to the Performer in the Society's productions who has, in the opinion of the Society, made the most significant improvement in their performance above those previously demonstrated. The current value of this fund is £525.
- The Karen Aston Bequest, donated to be used for the technical and artistic improvement of members' skills. The current value of this fund is £6,302.

### **Accumulated Funds**

The restricted fund total stands at £6,827, and the general fund at £21,244.

### **Reimbursement**

Two members of the Society were remunerated by the Society for providing artistic and choreographic direction in shows performed in the period, where these costs were agreed by the Society to be lower than the cost of engaging external direction, and where the experience was considered a valuable element of improving the skills of those members for the future.

### **Gift Aid**

The majority of the Society's income on which Gift Aid is recoverable relates to subscriptions and donations. Gift aid for previous years still to be claimed.

### **Future**

It is not considered at this stage feasible or helpful to provide a budget for the year to 31 December 2025. Results depend on the popularity of the shows produced with the general public, who provide the audience and thus over 90% of the revenue of each show, but budgets are produced for individual shows and are strictly controlled by the Committee. Shows are only authorised for Production where there is a general expectation that the net funds of the Society will not be seriously depleted.

Mark Turvill (Hon Treasurer)  
For and On Behalf of the Committee

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BALANCE SHEET at 31 DECEMBER 2024

Fixed Assets	Book Value	Dep'n	Net	31-Dec-24
Music Stands	370	370	0	0
Photocopier	300	300	0	0
Coffee Pots	131	131	0	0
Banner	211	211	0	0
Wardrobe Sheds	1740	1740	0	0
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	2752	2752	0	0
			<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Cash in Bank		23334		20481
Cash in Hand		292		647
Paid in Advance for Future Shows		4445		4716
Gift Aid Recoverable		0		1146
Other Debtors		0		28
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			28071	27018
<b>Less Current Liabilities</b>				
Sundry Creditors		0		0
Karen Aston Foundation		6302		6302
Subs Paid in Advance		0		50
Marjorie Moss Bequest		525		525
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			6827	6877
<b>Net Assets</b>			-----	-----
			21244	20141
<b>Represented By</b>			-----	-----
Accumulated Fund at 31 December 2023			20141	18608
Profit/Loss for the year ended 31 December 2024			1103	1533
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Accumulated Fund at 31 December 2024			21244	20141
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(Signed) *J B Palmer* 28/10/25  
J B Palmer Chairman

*M C Turvill* 28/10/25  
M C Turvill Hon Treasurer

Independent Examiner Report to Members of Walton & Weybridge Amateur Operatic Society

I have inspected the books and records of the Society, and have received all necessary explanations from its Trustees and Officers. I hereby certify that the above Balance Sheet and the attached Income and Expenditure Account are in accordance therewith.

*A D Cox* 28/10/25  
Andrew Cox Hon Independent Examiner  
23 Meadowside Walton-on-Thames KT12 3LS

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INCOME and EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the YEAR 1 JAN 2024 to 31 DEC 2024

		Accruals Basis	Accrual Basis
		<u>Year to 31 Dec 2024</u>	<u>Year to 31 Dec 2023</u>
Subscriptions	Members	3650	2845
	Patrons	1200	1250
Donations		1323	2158
Gift Aid Recovered		0	690
Restricted Fund Donation		0	0
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		6173	6943
Additional Income			
Equipment Hire		0	0
Social Events & Fundraising			
Fundraising (Easyfundraising, AmazonSmile, etc)		549	431
Socials		595	-2
Cabaret		2764	583
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		3908	1012
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		10081	7955
Productions			
Sister Act			-312
The Addams Family			-54
In The Name of Love			580
Curtains			-1718
White Christmas		-204	-303
Kiss Me, Kate		-3254	
Kipps		343	
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		-3115	-1807
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		6966	6148
Costs			
Subscriptions to Societies (NODA, etc)		-248	255
AGM & Forum Costs		-126	-48
Bar Stock		-396	-550
Insurance		-1236	-948
Storage Costs		-1800	-1800
Sundries		-377	-856
NODA Presentations		-534	-320
Depreciation of fixed assets		0	-348
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		-4717	-4615
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Profit Transferred to Accumulated Fund		2249	1533
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Prior year adjustment to remove Gift Aid Recoverable from Balance Sheet			
To be shown on a Cash received basis		-1146	
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Adjusted Profit transfered to Accumulated Fund		1103	