

ANNUAL REPORT 2025

I present the annual report for the 55th Annual General Meeting of the Sheppey Entertainments Association, Monday 27 October 2025.

This year we paid tribute to Yvonne Walker who sadly died in March 2025. Yvonne was involved with many of the theatre groups and had been a member of the SEA committee for a long time. On show nights if she wasn't in the show, she'd be volunteering ushing perhaps or other jobs. If she was in the show you just knew she'd organised the song choices, the music, the costumes, the props and that her groups had rehearsed thoroughly. Yvonne was in the first show here – 50 years ago - and it's sad she isn't here to help us celebrate our 50th Anniversary.

To celebrate, all posters for all shows we've put on this year say 1975 to 2025, 50 years of live entertainment on Sheppey.

Our recent booklet is called '*Visionaries, Performers and Scene Shifters Sheppey Little Theatre – the show must go on*', We've put a video on You Tube and Facebook, 50 years of Sheppey Little Theatre... in posters, pictures and memories. We had our 50th Anniversary show, 50 years to the very day on 25th October 2025.

Our talks on the first Friday night of each month are popular with people coming from all over the island and beyond. They have included the Dutch in the Medway, Tales of the Riverbank and 50 Years of Sheppey Little Theatre. We've had great tribute acts here. In September we had an Abba Tribute act Kiss the Teacher which had a lively audience. The Jerseys wowed audiences yet again with their fantastic performances and storytelling. Sandy Smith came back and had them dancing in the aisles. The Everley Brothers, Jerry Lee Lewis, Elvis and Buddy Holly came back earlier in the month. Hank Marvin too. Our member groups continue to perform here to good audiences again this year. Later this year we have Fleetwood Mac tribute act 'Our Own Way' back, sold out again. Elvis and Billy Fury

will also be in the building. When we book shows audiences tell us who they loved, so we can book them again.

In March 2026 the Blues Brothers' are coming. Sandy Smith is Cilla Black again and the Jerseys return for the 5th year running. We have a play and talk in March about the aviator Amy Johnson's life. We work hard to book high quality acts to keep theatre audiences coming to see great entertainment to provide member groups with space to rehearse and perform at our Little Theatre. We thank our benefactors, committee and show night volunteers. We've had new volunteers this year including Justine and Ruby on lighting and Brian and Adam ushing. We've had students on work experience from East Kent College including Dylan, Jack, Francesca and Jessica. We welcome volunteers young and old to help us run the theatre.

This year we've installed Solar Panels. This was funded by donations from Minster Parish Council, Mike Whiting Councillor and donations from people in memory of Yvonne Walker.

We've welcomed new regular theatre hirers Christman Church on Sundays and Star Academy a new dance school, on Friday nights. We ran a day of lighting and sound awareness for East Kent College for 60 students which was well received. East Kent College also repainted and decorated some signs for our stage for the 50th Anniversary show. We'll continue to look to partner local schools and colleges to give students experience of working at a theatre or to explore help they can give to us on jobs which need doing. Cinemas facilities are scarce on the island. We offer these facilities to organisations such as the Cubs, local schools and Seashells free of charge. We hire the theatre out to individuals for reasonable amounts, when we can, for private parties.

Thanks to Brenda Munday for the Facebook page and Tanya from Sheppy Glass for her help/support this year. Thanks to Janet Walton for cleaning the theatre. Special thanks to:- Derek for his work

maintaining/improving this lovely building, Pam Fauchon and now Karen Baxter for doing the staffing for our shows- Martin for his work stocking the bar - Janys accounts, paying performers and bills, getting grants. This year she's been very successful getting the money for the solar panels, Andy for leading the lighting team so our lighting is fantastic. This year we've seen new people come to our shows, they often say how lovely the staff are here and how friendly everyone is.

Sheppey Little Theatre has a unique charm. Many people look around and say "I didn't know about this place" or "I used to come here when I was a child, it's lovely isn't it?"

We need to keep the theatre going for the next generation. If you know anyone who wants to volunteer here please tell us.

Notes

- 1 Payment for the purchase and installation of air-conditioning was made this year, whereas the funding for this work was shown in last years accounts
- 2 The balance of ticket sales income is made up of 2 elements
 - tickets sold at Talks and any ticket sales due to hirers
- 3 Speakers at talks are paid based on the ticket sales; the payments have been shown separately.
- 4 The difference in PRS is due to timing of the payment to Performing Rights Society.
Payment was made in January 2025 for the previous calendar year.
- 5 Professional theatre fees and Speaker fees are separated this year from Miscellaneous payments
- 6 Donations include £2,430 (in memory of Yvonne Walker) which have been ear-marked for the purchase and installation of solar panels

Sheppey Little Theatre
Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025

Income	£	£	£
Weekly hire of theatre space			6,461.50
Income from shows:			
Hire of theatre for shows	3,174.89		
Deposits (net paid to theatre)	50.00	3,224.89	
Ticket sales	12,286.00		
Less ticket sales refunded to hirers	-8,843.00	3,443.00	
Proceeds from raffles	827.60		
Sale of programmes	30.10	857.70	
			7,525.59
Income from Bar & refreshments			6,320.92
Other income:			
Donations	4,919.71		
Fundraising (Craft Fairs, Shows & Quizes)	1,599.50		
Grants	350.00		
Interest from Skipton Building Society	40.64		
Miscellaneous income	175.20		7,085.05
Total income			27,393.06

Expenditure

Operational costs:			
PRS paid	806.12		
PRS collected	-545.86	260.26	
Opening bar stock	877.19		
Bar stock Purchases	2,649.58		
Less closing stock	1229.90		
Cost of sales		2,296.87	
Professional theatre fees & Speakers fees	2,600.00		
Purchase & installation of air conditioning	12,612.00		
Raffle prizes & quiz raffle prizes	60.00		
Sum-up charges (card payment system)	16.00		
Licences	598.55		
Electricity	2,633.96		
Gas	3,595.42		
Water	1,044.58		
WiFi	936.00		
Cleaning	1,381.00		

Cleaning materials	190.08	
Building works and repairs	3,007.96	
Card machine	236.79	
Piano tuning	210.00	
Printer & ink	944.21	
Insurance	3,004.10	
Expenditure on specific works	632.60	
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Other costs:

Bank charges	214.60	
Professional fees	200.00	
Advertising	524.00	
Miscellaneous expenses	429.47	1,368.07
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Total expenditure 37,628.45

Income less expenditure (net loss) **-10,235.39**

Represented by movement in cash and bank balances:

Movement in Main bank balance

Closing bank bal	2,418.63		
Less opening bank bal	5,804.49	-3,385.86	-3,385.86
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Movement in Bar bank balance

Closing bank bal	6,258.20		
Less opening bank bal	13,812.64	-7,554.44	-7,554.44
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Movement in cash balances

Closing cash bal	547.00		
Less opening cash bal	235.44	311.56	311.56
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Movement in Building Society account

Closing balance	1,301.88		
Less opening balance	1,261.24	40.64	40.64
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Movement in stock balance

Closing stock	1229.90		
Less opening stock	877.19	352.71	352.71
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-10,235.39

Sheppey Little Theatre (Bar account only)

Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025

	£	£	£
Opening stock	877.19		
Purchases	<u>2,649.58</u>	3,526.77	
Less closing stock		<u>1229.90</u>	
Cost of sales		2,296.87	
Bar receipts		<u>6,169.02</u>	
Trading profit		3,872.15	
Less other expenses:			
Cleaning materials	190.08		
Card machine	69.99		
Air conditioning for Auditorium	12,612.00		
Printer and ink	944.21		
Piano tuning	210.00		
Fundraising quiz expenses	10.00		
Refund of deposit for theatre hire	25.00		
Other misc purchases	<u>45.80</u>	14,107.08	
Add other income:			
Fundraising income	588.00		
Donations in memory of Yvonne Walker	2,430.00		
Other misc income	<u>0.00</u>	<u>3,018.00</u>	
Net Profit			<u><u>-7,216.93</u></u>

Represented by movement in bank, cash and stock balances:

Closing bank bal	6258.20		
Less opening bank bal	<u>13812.64</u>	-7554.44	-7554.44
Closing cash bal	150.00		
Less opening cash bal	<u>165.20</u>	-15.20	-15.20
Closing stock	1229.90		
Less opening stock	<u>877.19</u>	352.71	352.71
			<u><u>-7216.93</u></u>

Sheppey Little Theatre (Main account only)

Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025

Income	£	£	£
Weekly hire of theatre space			6,461.50
Income from shows:			
Hire of theatre	3,174.89		
Deposits (net paid to theatre)	<u>75.00</u>	3,249.89	
Ticket sales	12,286.00		
Less ticket sales refunded to hirers	<u>-8,843.00</u>	3,443.00	
Proceeds from raffles	827.60		
Sale of programmes	<u>30.10</u>	857.70	
			7,550.59
Other income:			
Donations	2,489.71		
Fundraising (Craft Fairs & Shows)	1,011.50		
Grants	350.00		
Refreshments	151.90		
Interest from Skipton Building Society	40.64		
Transfer from Bar account	0.00		
Miscellaneous income	<u>175.20</u>		4,218.95
Total income			18,231.04

Expenditure

Operational costs:			
PRS paid	806.12		
PRS collected	<u>-545.86</u>	260.26	
Professional theatre fees & Speakers fees	2,600.00		
Raffle prizes	50.00		
Sum-up charges (card payment system)	16.00		
Licences	598.55		
Electricity	2,633.96		
Gas	3,595.42		
Water	1,044.58		
WiFi	936.00		
Cleaning	1,381.00		
Card reader	166.80		
Building works and repairs	3,007.96		
Insurance	<u>3,004.10</u>	19,034.37	19,294.63
Other costs:			
Bank charges	214.60		
Professional fees	200.00		

Advertising	524.00	
Miscellaneous expenses	383.67	1,322.27
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Total expenditure		20,616.90
Income less expenditure (loss)		-2,385.86
Less: Expenditure on specific works		632.60
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Net Loss		-3,018.46
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Represented by movement in cash and bank balances:

Movement in bank balance			
Closing bank bal	2,418.63		
Less opening bank bal	5,804.49	-3,385.86	-3,385.86
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Movement in cash balance			
Closing cash bal	397.00		
Less opening cash bal	70.24	326.76	326.76
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Movement in Building Society account			
Closing balance	1,301.88		
Less opening balance	1,261.24	40.64	40.64
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		-3,018.46	
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Monthly totals of Expenditure and Income 2024-25

Date	Licence	Works	Insurance	Bank charges	Electricity	Gas	Water	WiFi	Cleaning	Raffle Prizes	Repay Show Tickets	Sum-up charges	Capital works	Misc. Payments	
July 2024		0.00	0.00	0.00	49.24	488.28	38.35	29.80	78.00	66.00	0.00	1,038.00	0.99	447.60	0.00
August 2024		0.00	412.18	0.00	13.11	40.08	39.63	29.80	78.00	72.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	166.80
September 2024		0.00	834.00	0.00	14.58	199.74	39.63	29.80	78.00	180.00	0.00	0.00	0.86	0.00	200.00
October 2024		70.00	400.00	1,651.45	8.64	339.78	38.35	29.80	78.00	120.00	0.00	0.00	0.42	0.00	109.40
November 2024		0.00	529.00	0.00	9.65	39.62	378.80	29.80	78.00	138.00	50.00	807.00	2.36	0.00	253.84
December 2024		0.00	192.00	0.00	13.71	231.32	777.45	32.49	78.00	76.00	0.00	0.00	2.40	0.00	0.00
January 2025		0.00	0.00	632.65	14.29	392.59	0.00	524.77	78.00	60.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.00
February 2025		0.00	335.00	0.00	14.10	34.31	979.80	32.49	78.00	132.00	0.00	320.00	2.45	0.00	509.48
March 2025		0.00	35.00	360.00	17.48	210.19	760.14	32.49	78.00	195.00	0.00	930.00	0.68	0.00	0.00
April 2025		528.55	0.00	360.00	11.25	201.73	489.87	32.49	78.00	71.50	0.00	4,524.00	2.87	0.00	0.00
May 2025		0.00	220.00	0.00	11.29	223.61	0.00	208.36	78.00	140.50	0.00	1,224.00	2.07	0.00	0.00
June 2025		0.00	50.78	0.00	37.26	232.71	53.40	32.49	78.00	130.00	0.00	0.00	0.80	185.00	34.95

Total	598.55	3,007.96	3,004.10	214.60	2,633.96	3,595.42	1,044.58	936.00	1,381.00	50.00	8,843.00	16.00	632.60	1,274.47
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Cross check	bank	cash	Skipton BS				Total expenditure	29,832.24
closing bal	2,418.63	397.00	1301.88				Total income	-26,773.14
opening bal	5,804.49	70.24	1261.24					<u>3,059.10</u>
	-3,385.86	326.76	40.64	-3,018.46	3,059.10			
			Interest earned		40.64			

Split of misc payments:	
Website hosting	120.00
Advertising	524.00
Card reader	166.80
Susan Bale	200.00
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	1010.80
Total paid	1274.47
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Diff	263.67

Theatre company/s		Income from Weekly hire	Income from Theatre Hire	Deposits paid / refunded	Sale of Programmes	Fund raising income	Raffle income	Ticket sales	Grants rec'd	Donations rec'd	Teas income	Misc Income	Net expenditure / income
fees	PRS												
102.50	-51.26	-775.00	-598.26	-30.00	-17.10	-10.00	-145.00	-1,315.50	0.00	-19.00	0.00	-6.50	-628.86
115.00	0.00	-150.00	-45.00	0.00	0.00	-20.00	0.00	-115.00	-350.00	-153.61	-26.40	0.00	106.59
127.50	0.00	-107.00	-34.00	0.00	0.00	-17.00	0.00	-255.00	0.00	-69.00	-7.20	-0.50	1,214.41
450.00	0.00	-808.00	-105.00	-50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-340.00	0.00	-48.00	-13.80	-6.00	1,925.04
0.00	-140.03	-397.00	-949.59	80.00	-7.00	-274.00	-150.60	-807.00	0.00	-126.00	-12.00	-9.50	-476.65
845.00	0.00	-1,052.00	-70.60	-50.00	0.00	-532.00	-89.00	-70.00	0.00	-258.00	-15.60	-1.50	109.67
800.00	806.12	-288.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-55.00	-1,455.00	0.00	-18.00	-22.80	-11.00	1,458.72
50.00	-18.00	-534.00	-90.00	0.00	0.00	-60.00	0.00	-560.00	0.00	-136.37	-8.70	-0.50	1,080.06
0.00	-46.87	-477.00	-238.13	105.00	0.00	-10.00	-59.00	-1,149.50	0.00	-835.68	-16.60	-10.00	-118.80
50.00	-228.01	-717.00	-805.00	-80.00	0.00	-88.50	-196.00	-4,579.00	0.00	-660.05	-12.90	-90.70	-1,106.90
0.00	-61.69	-359.50	-239.31	-50.00	0.00	0.00	-67.00	-1,224.00	0.00	-148.00	0.00	-4.00	-45.67
60.00	0.00	-797.00	0.00	0.00	-6.00	0.00	-66.00	-416.00	0.00	-18.00	-15.90	-35.00	-458.51
2,600.00	260.26	-6,461.50	-3,174.89	-75.00	-30.10	-1,011.50	-827.60	-12,286.00	-350.00	-2,489.71	-151.90	-175.20	3,059.10

SHEPPEY ENTERTAINMENTS ASSOCIATION.
TRADING PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE 2025.

	2025		2024	
INCOME.	£		£	
Theatre Takings	21972.39	0.00		30684.38
less repaid tickets	-8843	13129.39		
Fund Raising evnts.		2427.10		3152.31
Takings at Bar.		6320.92		8504.96
Donations Received.		4919.71		1815.95
Grant Received.		350.00		414.00
Programme Sales.		30.10		29.00
interest Skipton		40.64		40.04
Fund raising air con		0.00		5000.00
Other Income.		175.20		257.47
		27393.06		49898.11
COST OF SALES.				
Purchases for bar		2296.87		3323.63
Rates and Water.		1044.58		298.80
Heat and Light.		6229.38		6875.13
Insurance		3004.1		2742.97
Cleaning		1571.08		1808.68
card machine		236.79		166.80
Advertising		524		
Telephone and wifi		936		936.00
Licenses		598.55		70.00
Accountancy & Professional fees		200		545.00
Fundraising prizes		60		250.71
Bank charges Incurred		214.6		161.85
Repairs and renewals		3007.96		1926.00
professional theatre fees		2600		1292.00
Donations				
Equipment(piano tuning)		210		1442.96
Sundries		429.47		1170.37
Property Improvements.		632.6		6910.28
prs		260.26		-553.76
Web design		0		
Printing, Postage and Stationery.		944.21		288.00
Purchase and installation of air conditionin		12612		
speakers talk				692.50
sum up charges		16		
			18879.50 repaid tickets	
Refunded.			37628.45	49227.42
NET PROFIT/(LOSS)			-10235.39	670.69

note less paid show tickets shown as minus on income this year 2025
instead of bottom of outgoings in 2024.

**SHEPPEY ENTERTAINMENTS ASSOCIATION
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025.**

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**SHEPPEY ENTERTAINMENTS ASSOCIATION
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025.**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of the Sheppey Entertainments Association
For the year ended 30th June 2025.

I report on the accounts of the Association for the year ended 30th June 2025 are set out below.

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 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 the 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 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.

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

Susan J Bale book keeping and payroll.

Date: 04th October 2025.