

Northenden Players Theatre Club

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st May 2021

Charity name	Northenden Players Theatre Club
Other name the charity uses	Northenden Players, NPTC
Registered charity number	1175846
Charity's principal address	The Old Library 20, Church Road Northenden Manchester M22 4WL

Objectives and Activities for the Public Benefit

Principal purpose

To advance the education of the public in the dramatic arts to further the development of public appreciation and taste in the said arts by promoting participation in public performances and the presentation of public performances in Northenden, Manchester and the surrounding area.

Main activities

Encouraging participation from all local community in the execution of theatrical pursuits. We regularly present live performance of plays and encourage participation from all in various aspects of stagecraft. Normally 6 plays a year and various other community inspired events.

Public benefit

Northenden Players strive to meet its objectives as a charity and use its resources efficiently and effectively. We continue to be restricted to operate normally. No plays have been presented this year as indoor gathering in theatres was not allowed. We maintained connection with our members and audience through weekly Zoom sessions and newsletters. During the year, while our premises have been closed to the public, we have operated as a distribution point for Real Food Wythenshawe Food Bank. Each Thursday we are open for collection and distribution of Crisis Food parcels for individuals and families referred via Real Food Wythenshawe and other agencies. This work has been vital in the local community during the Covid restrictions. We are grateful to our members for staffing this work each week. Work on the suite of policies continues and we have produced and adopted a Safeguarding Policy and Code of Conduct. These have been distributed to our Executive, Trustees and will be available for everyone via our website. We are very hopeful of being operational as a theatre again shortly. The Trustees are cognisant of the Charity Commission guidelines on public benefit.

Volunteer contribution

All members are volunteers and the theatre runs entirely from voluntary efforts with no paid staff.

Achievements and Performance

Although we have not been able to present any performance on stage this year we have continued to meet on line and have had regular weekly Friday Night Live zoom session open to all members and non-members. We have included some play reading and discussion of a theatrical nature along with maintaining contact especially with individuals otherwise socially isolated. We hope to be able to return to normal operation shortly. Our regular programme of plays means that we can provide a number of different services to make a difference in the community and wider society. For those interested in theatre skills we welcome actors, directors, designers and writers. For those interested in practical skills we have set builders, costume and props makers as well as technicians for sound, light and effects. Our hospitality team welcomes new members who are good at welcoming and serving people whilst our community and fund-raising team engage with the local community and the wider world to make others aware of our work. Our publicity and marketing team are able to draw in people who might otherwise not know of our little theatre. For those who just want to be entertained we present a varied programme of plays, to entertain, educate and enlighten. All this with a welcoming atmosphere which aims to address those feeling socially isolated.

Financial Review

Our general financial performance is positive, and our income has exceeded our expenses over the year. This has left us with £48,503.24.

Any such excess, over and above that required to protect our annual running costs, is to fund "Phase 2" of our theatre development program, involving increasing space and height within our theatre. However, with Covid restrictions limiting our ability to generate funds, it is now regarded as necessary to guarantee our financial survival during the pandemic.

Additional Risks

Government restrictions to gathering in public restricting our ability to meet our objectives.

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is a CIO.

Trustees are elected at the AGM, and have a maximum continuous term of 3 years. There are 6 Trustees each appointed for 3 years – 2 up for re-election each year.


There is an Executive Committee of up to 8 members currently consisting; Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Membership Secretary, FOH manager, Stage Manager, Electrician.

The trustees

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Melanie Jane Davy	Trustee		Northenden Players Membership
2	Andrew Foulkes	Chair		Northenden Players Membership
3	David John Moores	Trustee		Northenden Players Membership
4	David Edward McGuire	Trustee		Northenden Players Membership
5	Jamie Walsh	Trustee		Northenden Players Membership
6	Christine Robinson	Trustee		Northenden Players Membership

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Andrew Foulkes	
Full name(s)	Andrew Foulkes	Dave McGuire
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	Trustee
Date	22/12/21	




CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name		No (if any)		CC16a
Northenden Players Theatre Club		1175846		
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	Period start	To	Period end date	
	01/06/2020		31/05/2021	

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					
Membership (A, B, H)	1,133	-	-	1,133	8,137
Ticket Sales (C.)	-	-	-	-	8,483
Other Sales (F, G, J, K, M)	5	-	-	5	5,129
Donations, Grants (D, E, L)	11,152	-	-	11,152	8,330
Miscellaneous (Z)	567	-	-	567	8,630
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	12,856	-	-	12,856	38,710
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	12,856	-	-	12,856	38,710
A3 Payments					
Performing Rights and Play expenses (1,5,8,9,15)	234	-	-	234	3,274
Admin, Insurance, Running Costs (2,3,4,6,13,16)	3,685	-	-	3,685	4,524
Building Costs and purchases (7,11)	3,811	-	-	3,811	4,819
Bar & Refreshments costs (10, 12)	-	-	-	-	1,957
Miscellaneous (99)	372	-	-	372	18
Sub total	8,102	-	-	8,102	14,591
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	8,102	-	-	8,102	14,591
Net of receipts/(payments)	4,755	-	-	4,755	24,119
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	43,748	-	-	43,748	19,630
Cash funds this year end	48,503	-	-	48,503	43,748

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	Bank Acct	41,038	-	-
	Reserve Acct	7,114	-	-
	Cash	351	-	-
	Total cash funds		48,503	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Details			
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the			-	-
	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval
	Andrew Foulkes	Andrew Foulkes		23/12/2021
		David McGuire		23/12/2021

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Northenden Players Theatre Company (charity number 1175846) on the accounts for the year ended 31st May 2021

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31st May 2021 which are set out on pages 4 and 5.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiners statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.



Andrew Entwisle FCCA

28th January 2022

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