

Northenden Players Theatre Club

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st May 2022

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 and 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 the local community in the execution of theatrical pursuits. We regularly present live performances of plays and encourage participation from all in various aspects of stagecraft. Normally 5 plays a year and various other community-inspired events and now visiting organisations.

Public benefit

Northenden Players strives to meet its objectives as a charity and use its resources efficiently and effectively. After two years of restrictions, we re-opened our theatre at the end of October 2021 and were able to host the first event, the Northenden Arts Festival, a couple of external events, and finally two plays from our own membership before our season and financial year end at 31st May 2022. We were so pleased to welcome back our audience and also our members and performers. For the first part of the year, we continued to operate as a distribution point for Real Food Wythenshawe Food Bank. Each Thursday we opened 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. This service ended in February 2022 as we returned to full operation as a theatre. Development of the site has continued as we completed our two rear extension stores. One for costume storage and the other for stage furniture and props. This will enable us to access and retrieve items easily. Work on the suite of policies continues and we will conduct the annual review of Safeguarding Policy and Code of Conduct 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

As mentioned above we re-opened our theatre with the first ever Northenden Arts Festival at the end of October 2021. This coincided with a community wide event, with a number of shops and businesses joining together. The Arts Festival event lasted over four days and consisted of twenty performances with well over one hundred artists involved. At the same time, we held a free fringe event for all to enjoy. We welcomed our own members and audience and many others from the local community. Events ranged from Local history talks and poetry through performance of three different one act plays. We had live music and comedy. There was children's theatre and an Old Time Musical Hall and everything in between. It was great to welcome old friends back after two years of restrictions, but what was more encouraging was the chance to welcome many new faces from the local community who had never experienced Northenden Players Theatre Club before. Many of them remarking what a great community facility we provide. We continue our aim to bring live theatre and performance to local people. Our hospitality team welcomes new members who are good at greeting 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 continue to 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 a balance of £57,615.05.

Any 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. This has begun in the creation of two new storage facilities.

Additional Risks

None.

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 of: 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	06/01/2023	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Northenden Players Theatre Club

No (if any)
1175846

Receipts and payments accounts


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For the period from	Period start date 01/06/2020	To	Period end date 31/05/2021
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Membership (A, B, H)	£ 1,564.00	-	-	1,564	8,137
Ticket Sales (C)	11,781	-	-	11,781	8,483
Other Sales (F, G, J, K, M)	8,779	-	-	8,779	5,129
Donations, Grants (D, E, L)	41,046	-	-	41,046	8,330
Miscellaneous (Z)	528	-	-	528	8,630
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	63,697	-	-	63,697	38,709
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	63,697	-	-	63,697	38,709
A3 Payments					
Performing Rights and Play Expenses (1, 5, 8, 9, 15)	7,055	-	-	7,055	3,274
Admin, Insurance, Running Costs (2, 3, 4, 6, 13, 16)	6,043	-	-	6,043	4,524
Building Costs and Purchases (7, 11)	31,313	-	-	31,313	4,819
Bar and Refreshment Costs (10, 12)	4,604	-	-	4,604	1,957
Visiting Performers Fees (17)	3,985	-	-	3,985	-
Miscellaneous (99)	1,585	-	-	1,585	18
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	54,585	-	-	54,585	14,592
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	54,585	-	-	54,585	14,592
Net of receipts/(payments)	9,112	-	-	9,112	24,117
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	48,503	-	-	48,503	-
Cash funds this year end	57,615	-	-	57,615	24,117

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	49,420	-	-
	Reserve Acct	7,166	-	-
	Cash	1,029	-	-
	Total cash funds	57,615	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
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	
		Dave McGuire	06/01/2023	
	Andrew Foulkes	Andrew Foulkes	06/01/2023	

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Northenden Players Theatre Company (charity number 1175846) on the accounts for the year ended 31st May 2022

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31st May 2022 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

6th January 2023

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