



AGM Thursday 16 January 2025

Culcheth Library 6.45pm

Chairman's Report August 2023 to July 2024

The choir year commenced with a fresh air of optimism after a concerning series of events at the end of the previous year. This included changes in the Choir's leadership, a couple of unsuccessful attempts to replace the previous Choir Director and an EGM in April 2023 at which options regarding the Choir's ongoing viability or otherwise were discussed.

A few key committee and other members worked hard in the ensuing months to promote the choir with a resolve to continue with its operation. Flyers were posted in the local area on general notice boards, in local businesses and use was made of Social Media to advertise the Choir to the immediate local and wider adjacent communities.

As a result, a series of 6 weekly singing workshops were held commencing in September 2023, in a new venue of Culcheth Village Library, for 30 mins preceding the Choir's practice session with the express intention of recruiting new members. This reinforced and energised the Choir and led to a new programme being developed for the upcoming autumn, winter and spring seasons supported by a registration to the Making Music platform.

The following seasons progressed well and saw the Choir perform at a series of events in church, public, local community and business locations which were well received and enhanced the Choir's reputation locally.

The year ended with the Choir in a much better place, with renewed confidence and a new and expanded committee under the musical direction of its long term accompanist who stepped up to lead the choir and its musical programmes.

Culcheth Village Community Choir Accounts for the year

Registered charity no. 1177311

	31.07.24		31.07.23	
	Unrestricted Funds		Unrestricted Funds	
	£	£	£	£
Receipts and Payments to 31.07.24				
Receipts - Income				
Weekly subscriptions received	3,872.00		2,400.00	
Donations Bucket Collections	-		5.00	
Grants/Gift Aid	335.56		1,585.73	
Concerts	277.00		90.95	
Community Day Takings /Choir Raffle	311.00		285.60	
Free Concert Bucket Collection	41.25		-	
Total Receipts		<u>4,836.81</u>		<u>4,367.28</u>
Payments - Expenditure				
Music Directors	2,100.00		1,450.00	
Gift Voucher for Departing Music Director	-		47.28	
Accompanist	-		670.00	
Room Hire	1,260.00		660.00	
Music (Photocopying)	331.27		321.35	
Equipment	226.69		5.00	
Stationery	101.46		15.98	
Gift	16.47			
Concert	67.65			
MAKING MUSIC (membership)	109.00		98.00	
Insurance (changed to MAKING MUSIC)	49.00		46.00	
MAKING MUSIC Web Annual Fee / SSL Cert	99.00		78.00	
Social events	168.09		48.11	
Choir workshop	-		242.98	
Publicity	7.50		-	
Namesco Web domain name	23.99		22.79	
Total Payments		<u>(4,560.12)</u>		<u>(3,705.49)</u>
Net receipts/ (payments)		276.69		661.79
Funds Brought Forward		<u>4,020.44</u>		<u>3,358.65</u>
Cash Funds this period end		<u><u>4,297.13</u></u>		<u><u>4,020.44</u></u>

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

ASSETS		£	£
Cash in Bank at Year End		4,277.07	3920.44
Cash in hand		20.46	100.00
		<u>4,297.53</u>	<u>4,020.44</u>
LIABILITIES			
		<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Assets Retained for Charity Use		Cost	Cost
		£	£
Keyboard		400.00	400.00
Amplifier		625.00	625.00
Choir Laptop (donation P. Dodd)		0.00	0.00
3 x Cash Collection Buckets		21.85	21.85
6 x plastic storage boxes for music		76.00	
		<u>1,122.85</u>	<u>1046.85</u>

Signed by two trustees on behalf of all the trustee

Signature	Print Name	Date
	M. P. W. H. O. A. N.	1/1/25
	G. M. O. R. T. I. M. O. R.	1/1/25