



MILTON KEYNES CHORALE Registered charity number 1178002

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 July 2024 and confirm that they comply with requirements of the Charities Act 2011, MK Chorale's Constitution, and the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

The objects of the charity are to advance, improve, develop, and maintain public education in, and appreciation of, the art and science of music in all its aspects by any means the trustees see fit, including through the presentation of public concerts and recitals in and around Milton Keynes.

Review of Activities and Achievements

The choir continued its pattern of concerts during the year. Four concerts were performed, in November, at Christmas, in March and July. In addition a workshop was held in January.

During the year, the Trustees met on six occasions to plan the year ahead and the 50th anniversary year in 2024/25.

Financial Review

Income for the year was £41,645 and expenditure was £38,126 giving a surplus of £3,519. Full information can be seen in the annual accounts.

Total reserves on 31 July 2024 were £23,710. The Trustees believe this is necessary and sufficient to fund the choir's future plans.

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity operates under a Constitution for a Charitable Incorporated Organisation dated 6 March 2018, which sets out how Trustees are elected.

The charity's principal address is:

13 Merino Green, Oakridge Park, Milton Keynes, MK14 6FL

The following served as Trustees during the year

Mr Will Swann	Chair
Mrs Juliet Gilliland	Secretary (until 6 January 2024)
Mr Cyril Wood	Treasurer
Mrs Glenys Bloomfield	Membership
Mrs Sarah Dyer	PR Manager
Dr Jackie Holloway	(appointed 17 October 2023)
Mrs Becky Kitchen	(appointed 17 October 2023)
Mr Graham Pembury	(appointed 17 October 2023)
Mrs Suzie Morris	(appointed 17 October 2023)
Mrs Ruth Wilkinson	External Publicity & Events
Mrs Anne Wood	Concert Manager

In addition Mrs Leah Attwood, Mrs Karen Collcott and Mr Ian Collcott served on the board until their resignations on 17 October 2023.

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees

Signature *Cyril C Wood*

Full name: Cyril Christopher Wood
Treasurer

Date: 4 September 2024



MILTON KEYNES CHORALE

Milton Keynes Chorale
Balance Sheet
31 July 2024

		2023	
		£	£
Current Assets			
	Debtors and Prepayments	4,772	3,340
	Bank accounts	6,882	4,969
	Building Society	12,627	12,272
		24,281	20,581
Current Liabilities			
	Creditors and Accruals	572	389
		572	389
Net Assets		23,710	20,192
Represented by:			
Funds			
	Charles Francis Fund (note 3)	562	562
	Conducting scholarship (note 4)	1,872	1,372
	Young people (note 4)	333	173
	General Fund	20,943	18,085
		23,710	20,192

The notes on the attached pages form part of these accounts

Milton Keynes Chorale
Statement of Financial Activities
Year ended 31 July 2024

		Notes	General Fund £	Conducting £	Young People £	Charles Francis Fund £	Total Funds £
Income							
	General Income	2	27,977	1,500	250		29,727
	Events	5	11,918				11,918
	Total Income		39,895	1,500	250	0	41,645
Expenditure							
	General Expenditure	2	20,910	1,000	90	0	22,000
	Events	5	16,126				16,126
	Total Expenditure		37,036	1,000	90	0	38,126
Net Income			2,859	500	160	0	3,519
Brought forward			18,084	1,372	173	562	20,191
Carried forward			20,943	1,872	333	562	23,710

2023							
			General Fund £	Conducting £	Young People £	Charles Francis Fund £	Total Funds £
Income							
	General Income	2	22,574	1,500	188		24,262
	Unity Homeless Appeal		200				200
	Events	5	13,176				13,176
	Total Income		35,950	1,500		0	37,638
Expenditure							
	General Expenditure	2	17,698	1,300	15	186	19,199
	Unity Homeless Appeal		200				200
	Events	5	14,161				14,161
	Total Expenditure		32,059	1,300		186	33,560
Net Income/(Deficit)			3,891	200		(186)	4,078
Brought forward			14,193	1,172		748	0
			18,084	1,372		562	4,078

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Notes to the accounts
Year ended 31 July 2024

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General Income and Expenditure

			2023	
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Income				
Members' Subs	15,910		17,182	
Tax Refunds From Gift Aid	2,646		2,911	
New composition	178			
Bank & Building Society Interest	525		174	
Fundraising Income (note 6)	500		397	
Music Hire	1,079		812	
Chorale Hire Library Income	316		384	
Donations including Gift Aid	6,774		685	
Choir Folder Income	<u>50</u>		<u>30</u>	
		27,977		22,575
Expenditure				
Rehearsal costs	15,954		15,068	
MK Choirs Festival	380		294	
Music Hire/Purchase	829		728	
Chorale Hire Library Costs	121		301	
Admin	88		469	
Square charges	101		131	
Marketing & appraisals	945			
Appraisals	1,668			
<i>Subscriptions & Fees Payable</i>				
Arts & Heritage	50		50	
Insurance	151		143	
Making Music Membership	392		365	
PRS	<u>230</u>		<u>149</u>	
		20,910		17,698
Surplus		<u>7,067</u>		<u>4,877</u>

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Notes to the accounts (cont.)
Year ended 31 July 2024

				2023	
		£	£	£	£
3	Charles Francis Fund	0			
	Income				
	Expenditure				
	Web costs		0		186
	(Deficit)		0		(186)
4	Conducting & Young People				
	This is money received to be spent on a Conducting Scholar and for Young People to attend concerts				
5	Event Income & Expenditure	£	£	£	£
	Autumn				
	Income				
	Ticket Sales	1,473		2,356	
	Programme Sales	132		16	
	Miscellaneous	328		666	
			1,933		3,038
	Expenditure				
	Conductor & Musicians' Fees	2,041		1,117	
	Venue & Instrument hire	150		1,117	
	Ticket Commission	14		42	
	Printing & Advertising	146		83	
	Miscellaneous	37		26	
			2,388		2,385
	Deficit		(454)		653

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Event Income & Expenditure continued

	£	£	£	£
Christmas				
Income				
Ticket Sales	1,840		1,843	
Programme Sales	0			
Miscellaneous	265		120	
		2,105		1,963
Expenditure				
Conductor & Musicians' Fees	1,056		916	
Venue & Instrument Hire	0		164	
Ticket Commission	27		15	
Printing & Advertising	55			
Miscellaneous	28		179	
		1,166		1,274
Surplus		940		689
Workshop				
Income				
Ticket Sales	1,750		1,656	
Programme Sales	0			
Miscellaneous	139		127	
		1,889		1,783
Expenditure				
Conductor & Musicians' Fees	982		574	
Venue & Instrument Hire	0		65	
Ticket Commission	31		45	
Printing & Advertising	0		26	
Miscellaneous	0		4	
		1,012		714
Surplus		877		1,069

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Notes to the accounts (cont.)
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Event Income & Expenditure continued

Spring

Income

	£	£	£	£
Ticket Sales	2,420		2,159	
Programme Sales	161		273	
Miscellaneous	351		2,120	
		2,932		4,552

Expenditure

Conductor & Musicians' Fees	5,799		5,563	
Venue & Instrument Hire	260		1,613	
Ticket Commission	31		27	
Printing & Advertising	101		324	
Miscellaneous	84		84	
		6,275		7,611
Deficit		(3,343)		-3,059

Summer

Income

Ticket Sales	1,560		1,505	
Programme Sales	90		156	
Miscellaneous	1409		181	
		3,059		1,842

Expenditure

Conductor & Musicians' Fees	1812		1,748	
Venue & Instrument Hire	2780		150	
Ticket Commission	0		20	
Printing & Advertising	693		153	
Miscellaneous	0		102	
		5,285		2,173
Deficit		(2,226)		(331)

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Notes to the accounts (cont.)
Year ended 31 July 2024

Summary of All Events

Income

	£	£	£	£
Ticket Sales	9,043		9,519	
Programme Sales	383		445	
Miscellaneous	2,492		3,214	
		11,918		13,178

Expenditure

Conductor & Musicians' Fees	11,689		9,918	
Venue & Instrument Hire	3,190		3,109	
Ticket Commission	102		149	
Printing & Advertising	995		586	
Miscellaneous	150		395	
		16,126		14,157
Deficit		(4,208)		(979)

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Fundraising Income & Expenditure

	Income £	Expenditure £	Net Income £	Net Income 2023 £
Coffee/Tea	422		422	250
Amazon			0	18
Easyfundraising	77		77	129
	500	0	500	397



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
MILTON KEYNES CHORALE

On accounts for the year
ended

31 JULY 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1178002

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/07/2024**.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with 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
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) 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 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

04/09/2024

Name:

DR ADRIAN PRISK

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

n/a

Address:

15 PARKLANDS. GT LINFORD, MILTON KEYNES, MK14 5DZ

Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

These accounts are very well presented. I have checked the records and have not identified any errors. All items recorded reconcile with Bank Statements and other records provided.