

	Trustees' Annual Report for the period								
	From	Period start date			T O	Period end date			
		Day 1	Month August	Year 2023		Day 31	Month July		Year 2024

Section A		Reference and administration details	
Charity name		The Viola Commissioning Circle	
Other names charity is known by		The VCC	
Registered charity number (if any)		1179223	
Charity's principal address		11 Heathfield South	
		Twickenham, London	
		Postcode	TW2 7SR

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustees in office August 2023 to July 2024

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	David John Challen CBE			
2	Sir Christopher Owen Hum KCMG			
3	Peter Smart			

Section BStructure, governance and management

Description of the charity’s trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Foundation)
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by resolution of the charity trustees

Section CObjectives and activities

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

To promote improve, develop, maintain, and advance education and the arts for the public benefit, in particular through the promotion, support and encouragement of the art of music and all other art forms and specifically, but not exclusively, by commissioning or supporting the commissioning of musical works for the viola with or without other instruments or voices which in connection therewith may include public performances, masterclasses, coaching, open rehearsals, workshops, talks and lectures, outreach programmes, publication of scores and parts and recordings.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

In accordance with the objects of the Charity, the past underwritten viola concerto from CASSANDRA MILLER received further performances including its German premiere (June 2024, Ludwigsburg Festival Orchestra) and at the BBC Proms (July 2024, BBC Philharmonic Orchestra).

As part of V10LA, the charity's project aim to create ten new major works for viola and orchestra by 2030, Magnus Lindberg's Viola Concerto received its world premiere in Helsinki (February 2024, Finnish Radio Symphony Orchestra).

The charity held a VCC reception in partnership with Faber Music to raise funds for the inaugural VCC Composer Prize, launched in the 24/25 Season.

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

The BBC Proms and German premieres of the Cassandra Miller Viola Concerto given by Lawrence Power and the BBC Philharmonic / Ludwigsburg Festival Orchestra respectively, together with the world premiere of the Magnus Lindberg Viola Concerto with Finnish Radio Symphony Orchestra all achieved critical acclaim.

The Lockdown Commissions continue to inspire young viola players globally, with new performances of the works.

## Section E Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Unrestricted funds will be retained to meet operating costs while the expendable endowment will be used to support the underwriting of commissions and to meet any shortfall on underwritten pieces. If necessary, funds are transferred from the endowment to meet any deficit in unrestricted funds.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The charity's principal source of funds is from the charity's supporters. Further funding for specific commissions may be sought from charitable grant makers.

Funds are held in a bank current account. Interest-bearing deposit accounts for funds not immediately required have been opened.

## Section F Other optional information

We should like to thank the members of our Advisory Council for their invaluable guidance and advice and the many generous donors who have entrusted their funds to us as Underwriting Members. We are also most grateful to our donors and Friends for their support.

Please see the lists on our website <http://viola-cc.org.uk>

## Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

Peter Smart

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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Trustee

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Date

5th June 2025

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## Balance Sheet

31st July 2024

	2024	2023
<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
Fixtures & Fittings	-	-
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Debtors, prepayments & accrued income	-	4,000
Lloyds Current Account	5,873	2,178
Nationwide Instant Saver	-	3,000
Nationwide 45 day notice account	50,000	50,000
	<u>55,873</u>	<u>59,178</u>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Trade creditors	1,180	-
Accruals & deferred income	630	1,130
	<u>1,810</u>	<u>1,130</u>
<b>Net Current Assets / (Liabilities)</b>	54,063	58,048
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<b>Representing</b>		
Unrestricted reserve brought forward	927	1,879
Surplus (deficit) for the period	15	(952)
Unrestricted reserve carried forward	<u>942</u>	<u>927</u>
Endowment reserve brought forward	57,121	67,213
Surplus (deficit) for the period	(4,000)	(10,092)
Endowment reserve carried forward	<u>53,121</u>	<u>57,121</u>
Total reserves carried forward	<u>54,063</u>	<u>58,048</u>

## Income & Expenditure

31st July 2024

	Unrestricted	Endowment	Total 2024	Total 2023
<b>Income:</b>				
Donations / legacies	425	-	425	300
Partner Income	-	-	-	4,000
Grants	-	-	-	308
Bank interest	1,525	-	1,525	838
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>1,950</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,950</b>	<b>5,446</b>
<b>Expenditure:</b>				
Underwriting fees		-	-	-
Administrator fees	4,000	-	4,000	960
Marketing	125	-	125	-
Development	1,180	-	1,180	-
Commissioning fees	-	-	-	14,400
Professional fees	630		630	1,130
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>5,935</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,935</b>	<b>16,490</b>
<b>Net Income / (Expenditure) before transfers</b>	<b>(3,985)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(3,985)</b>	<b>(11,044)</b>
Transfer between funds	4,000	(4,000)	-	-
<b>Net Income / (Expenditure)</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>(4,000)</b>	<b>(3,985)</b>	<b>(11,044)</b>