
ST GEORGE'S DANCE CLUB
(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
ANNUAL REPORT
and
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED
31 December 2025

Charity Number 1181823

St George's Dance Club

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	St George's Dance Club
Principal office address	St. George's Dance Club 1 Cragwood Close Leeds LS18 4RL
Charity registration number	1181823

The Trustees

The Trustees who served the charity during the period were as follows:

	Rob Dixon John Fear Gail Howard Paul Howard Paul Staniland
Club Committee	Rob Dixon Helena Dobie Resigned March 2025 David Critchley Resigned 16/07/2025 John Davies Lynne Davies Kath Fisher Resigned 16/04/2026 Alison Elgie Heaton Resigned 23/04/2026 Denis Heaton Resigned 23/04/2026 Gail Howard Paul Howard John Fear Resigned 14/01/2026 Elaine Richards Resigned 26/11/2025 Peter Richards Resigned 26/11/2025 Paul Staniland
Bankers	Nat West Bank PLC 3 Cambridge Crescent Harrogate HG1 1PE

Structure, governance and management.

St George's Dance Club was constituted on 31 January 2019 as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and is governed by a constitution approved on that date. The charity is managed by a committee of its Trustees with the assistance of an elected club committee that arranges club meetings and dances.

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

The Trustees may appoint a person who is willing to be a Trustee either to fill a vacancy or as an additional Trustee.

Risk management.

The Trustees review the major risks to which the charity is exposed on an ongoing basis. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces.

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Objectives and activities.

1 To provide for the benefit of the inhabitants of, and visitors to, Harrogate and the surrounding area, the provision of facilities for recreational dancing for the occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities and for the public at large in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving both the physical and mental condition of life of the said inhabitants and visitors.

2 To advance for the public benefit the art of dance in particular but not limited to traditional sequence and ballroom dances as part of our cultural heritage and to maintain the traditions of dancing by organising and promoting social dance events on a regular basis.

The aims of St George's Dance Club are undertaken specifically to ensure the charitable objectives meet the public benefit requirement and the Charities Act 2011.

Achievements and performance.

On the 19 December 2024 the previous Chair of the management committee received a letter from a new owner of the St George's Hall site and building giving a notice to quit the site. As reported in previous annual reports the long-term prospects for the club continuing at St George's Hall were uncertain pending the outcome of the sale and any other developments relating to the building. The abrupt notice to quit was not an outcome that was expected. The trustee's initial reaction was to take legal advice and explore the rights of the Trust to the building and sites. Negotiations and correspondence between the Trust's legal representatives and new owners continued until April 2025.

What became clear was that the Trust's rights to the use of the building were not as protected as the Trustees previously understood. There are legal grounds to indicate that the Trust had rights to use the building but with legal costs mounting toward £20,000 the Trust was not able to take further legal action to enforce these rights.

In the circumstances the Trustees came to an arrangement with the landlords to receive a compensation payment to the club of £10,000 and to vacate the building at the end of April 2025. The Trustees made initial arrangements to continue the Trust's activities on rental terms at alternative venues. A permanent location at the Granby Care Home became the club's new venue for club meetings from June 2025.

During 2025 the club continued to meet in the afternoons weekly on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and once a month on afternoons of Saturdays and Sundays. Following the pandemic when numbers at the dance meetings reduced compared to pre-pandemic years, numbers have continued to pick up and are at a level that generates a lively and enjoyable atmosphere for all who attend. 3,222 (2024 3,552) members and 119 (2024 197) non-members attended 115 (2024 119) dance meetings during 2025. The move from St George's for dance meetings has had an impact on the numbers attending meetings. The management committee have been marketing the Tuesday meeting to raise the numbers.

During the year the club organised one charity dance that resulted in making a £350 donation to a local charity. The club is considering new methods to raise funds for local charities. Activities to raise charitable funds in the ways they were implemented while at St George's Hall are not suitable at the Granby Care Home.

During the period when the club was operational in the financial period it encouraged non-members to attend the dances thereby providing exercise opportunities to the residents of North and West Yorkshire and beyond.

Financial review.

During the period the charity received £34,698 (2024 £31,574) income and incurred expenditure of £44,224 (2024 £31,479). The deficit of £9,526 is largely a result of the large legal fees (£19,200) related to the notice to quit St George's Hall, offset by the £10,000 compensation income from the St George's Hall landlords.

Reserves policy.

The Trustees recognise the need to hold reserves and allow for fluctuations in member receipts and/or expenditure costs. The Trustees have set the reserve policy at twelve months operating costs (excluding dance events expenses) at £7,500.

The charity's free reserves, excluding fixed assets, at the year-end were £40,428. It is expected that the reserves in 2026 will remain at this level.

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Plans for future periods.

The Trustees and management committee will continue to arrange weekly dances at the Granby Care Home.

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under section 7 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Trustee's remuneration.

The Trustees did not receive any remuneration for their Trustee services.

Going concern.

The trustees have assessed the charity's ability to continue for at least 12 months from the date that the accounts are approved and conclude that no material uncertainties exist that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Responsibilities of the Trustees.

The charity's Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and the income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.

observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP.

make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent.

state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees.



Mr P Staniland
Trustee
18 March 2026

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of St George's Dance Club

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the CIO for the year ended 31 December 2025, which are set out on pages 5 to 9.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the CIO 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 CIO's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. 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 in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the accounts do 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.

Frances Kingsnorth

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Statement of financial activities

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 31 Dec 2025	Total Funds 31 Dec 2024
Incoming resources		£	£	£
Incoming resources from generating funds:				
Voluntary income	2	24,581	24,581	31,226
Other Income				
Compensation for giving up the occupancy of St George's Hall		10,000	10,000	-
Bank Interest		116	116	348
Total incoming resources		34,697	34,697	31,574
Resources expended				
Charitable activities	3	44,223	44,223	31,479
Total resources expended		44,223	44,223	95
Net (outgoing)/incoming resources for the year		-9,526	-9,526	95
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		50,434	50,434	50,434
Total funds carried forward		40,908	40,908	50,529

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

The notes on pages 7 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

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Balance sheet 31 December 2025

	Notes	31 December 2025	31 December 2024
Tangible Assets			
Equipment	5	480	-
Current Assets			
Other Debtors	6	7,462	7,830
Bank & Cash		<u>35,418</u>	<u>44,197</u>
Total Current Assets		42,880	52,026
Current Liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling after less than one year	7	<u>2,452</u>	<u>1,593</u>
Total Current Liabilities		2,452	1,593
Net Current Assets		40,428	50,434
Net Assets		<u>40,908</u>	<u>50,434</u>
Reserves			
Unrestricted Reserve	8	40,908	42,434
Designated Fund		<u>8,000</u>	<u>8,000</u>
Total Funds		<u>40,908</u>	<u>50,434</u>

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 18 March 2026 and are signed on their behalf by:



Mr P Staniland
Trustee

The notes on pages 7 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Accounting policies.

Basis of accounting.

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) and with the Charities Act 2011.

St George's Dance Club meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

There has been no change to the accounting policies since last year.

Unrestricted funds.

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity to advance exercise and cultural activities through dance.

Incoming resources.

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Voluntary income is mainly received by way of admittance fees to the meetings of the club and lettings of the hall and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when they are receivable.

Other income when received relates to interest on bank deposits and income from sources other than dance related activities.

Resources expended.

Charitable expenditure comprises the costs of holding the dance meetings including the music and maintenance of the dance hall.

Cash flow statement.

The Trustees have taken advantage of the exemption from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the charity is small.

Fixed assets.

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost.

Equipment is depreciated on a straight-line basis at 25% per annum.

Fixtures and fittings are depreciated on a straight-line basis at 20% per annum.

Taxation.

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and no taxation provision is needed in the financial statements.

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	Unrestricted Funds	
	2025	2024
	£	£
2 Voluntary Income		
Dance Receipts	13,795	14,559
Membership Fees	1,120	1,230
Dance Weekend 2025	8,241	7,920
Lettings	220	6,247
Charity Fundraising Dances	265	670
Donations from members	925	-
Miscellaneous Income	15	600
Total	24,581	31,226

	Unrestricted Funds	
	2025	2024
	£	£
3 Costs of charitable activities		
DJ Fees	2,750	4,871
Premises	323	3,735
Hall Hire	5,980	-
Cleaning	2,085	2,777
Energy	1,688	3,866
Publicity & Marketing	246	400
Water	751	3,103
Hospitality	215	585
Rates	96	439
Charity	850	1,000
Dance Weekend 2025	8,176	7,734
Insurance	953	1,754
Equipment	316	347
Admin/Legal	156	154
Legal Fees	19,200	-
Independent Examination	279	-
Depreciation	161	714
	44,223	31,479

4 Staff costs and emoluments

There were no employees during the period and no salaries were paid to the Trustees. No expenses were paid to trustees for their duties as a trustee.

	Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment	Total
	£	£
5 Tangible Assets		
Cost		
1st January 2025	3,909	3,909
Additions	641	641
31 December 2025	4,550	4,550
Depreciation		
1st January 2025	3,909	3,909
Additions	161	161
31 December 2025	4,070	4,070
1st January 2025	-	-
31 December 2025	480	480

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	2025	2024
	£	£
Receipts in arrears	216	-
Debtors	6,746	7,330
Prepayments	500	500
	<u>7,462</u>	<u>7,830</u>

7 Creditors: amounts falling after less than one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Receipts in advance	870	1,010
Accruals	1,582	583
	<u>2,452</u>	<u>1,593</u>

8 Funds

	Balance 1/1/2024	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Balance 31/12/2025
	£		£	£
Unrestricted fund	50,434	34,698	44,224	40,908
	<u>50,434</u>	<u>34,698</u>	<u>44,224</u>	<u>40,908</u>