



# **Trustees' Annual Report for Halifax Light Opera Society Juniors**

**Charity No 1184294**

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**For the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022**

## **Objectives and Activities**

As an amateur dramatics society, Halifax Light Opera Society Juniors (HLOSJ) gives 8 to 18-year olds in Halifax and surrounding areas opportunities to be on stage, help backstage, improve their acting, singing and dancing skills, boost their confidence, make life-long friends and have fun. We perform an annual musical, smaller concerts and use workshops to engage and develop their capabilities and skills for them to grow as independent, mature and responsible people.

During this period, we were still being cautious due to the pandemic and were not yet back to full rehearsals. Instead of a spring concert, we launched a monologue competition in April called 'Standing in the Spotlight'. We chose a selection of characters from Roald Dahl stories for the children to pick one from and drew again on ex-juniors turned professional to help with an acting skills workshop and to be the judging panel. One of our Trustees - Stephen Jamieson (who has been a consummate performer of various character roles for many years) offered one-to-one advice to any of the applicants who wanted the help, and this was a fantastic for engagement of the Trustees directly with our members. The success of the competition hopefully means we will make this an annual event.

In September we were finally able to start rehearsing for our postponed production of The Wizard of Oz. We approached the local children's museum Eureka! who allowed us to use their yellow brick road to take some photos of the feet of each character, which we used to ask potential members if they could 'fill the shoes' of each of the characters and be in the show. Everyone was happy to be back on stage and excited to be able to put on such a fantastic show again.

Through all of this, the Trustees have had due regard to what the society has been doing and how it is of public benefit to the children involved and the community it is located in.

## **Achievements and Performance**

From the society's formation, we have consistently had young members who go on to pursue professional arts careers. We were the first in the area to form a juniors age range society, and from our example other societies were set up across the country which led to the NODA listing junior societies under its umbrella. HLOSJ were one of the first junior societies accepted by NODA nationally, and have been since 1976.

One of our greatest achievements is happy and confident young people. Whether in helping them build their confidence in their school life, to pursue arts careers or enjoying a lifetime of amateur dramatics, young people who have gained from the society have now come back and are contributing to its future. We have had fantastic reviews from cast members, friends and parents, with one parent of a new member saying "What an



amazing time these kids have had. If ever you want your child to be a part of something truly magical, then get them to join in the fun next year. ...This has been 6 months of hard work and becoming lifelong friends, which you can see when they perform together on stage”.

## **Financial Review**

The charity’s financial position at the end of the period is positive, especially with the uncertainty of whether we would be able to perform a full show this year. We made a profit of £1,533.72 from Wizard of Oz, which will ensure we can continue the society in a strong financial condition. The uncashed royalties mentioned in the previous Annual Return are still outstanding. This is reflected in the accounts and is being followed up by our Treasurer.

Our reserves ensure we have sufficient funds at our disposal to offset any unforeseen circumstances in which a show cannot take place but if payments still have to be made in relation to that show despite not having the income, this is our safety net. We set a minimum amount to cover the projected budget for the year to protect any necessary expenditure and we keep sufficient reserves in a separate deposit account from our running account for productions to ensure all payments are covered in the event of shows not being able to be undertaken.

We are confident that the society is in a strong position and coming out of the pandemic well. We look forward to our next production and keeping members engaged.

## **Structure, Governance and Management**

HLOSJ is governed by a Foundation Model Constitution as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. In our Trustee selection methods we refer to the charity’s own guidance with regard to additional Trustees.

In July 2020 a further trustee was appointed – Marilyn Mitchell. Marilyn has been involved with the Juniors since the beginning, her husband is one of the co-founders of the society, and her children were members. We are delighted to have welcomed Marilyn to the Trustee Board.

## **Reference and Administrative detail**

Charity Name: Halifax Light Opera Society Juniors

Other name the charity uses: HLOSJ, HLOS Juniors

Registered Charity number: 1184294

Charity’s principal address: 1 Bankfield Grange, Greetland, Halifax, HX4 8LJ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity:



| TRUSTEE NAME                    | OFFICE | DATES ACTED IF NOT FOR A WHOLE YEAR |
|---------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------------|
| Anthony John Francis Longbottom | Chair  | 08/07/2019 - 31/03/2022             |
| Margaret Lois Swales            |        | 08/07/2019 - 31/03/2022             |
| Stephen Raynor Jamieson         |        | 08/07/2019 - 31/03/2022             |
| Marilyn Mitchell                |        | 08/07/2020 - 31/03/2022             |

## Declarations

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

Signed by the Chair

*A. J. F. Longbottom*

Full name(s): Anthony John Francis Longbottom

Date: 28.01.2023.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

*Claire Jackson*

Full names(s): Claire Louise Jackson

Position: CIO Secretary

Date: 29/01/2023



## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period  
from

4/1/2021

To

3/31/2022

### Section A Receipts and payments

|                                                       | Unrestricted funds<br>to the nearest<br>£ | Restricted funds<br>to the nearest £ | Endowment funds<br>to the nearest £ | Total funds<br>to the nearest £ |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>A1 Receipts</b>                                    |                                           |                                      |                                     |                                 |
| Subscriptions                                         | 2,260                                     | -                                    | -                                   | 2,260                           |
| Hoodies Income                                        | 329                                       | -                                    | -                                   | 329                             |
| Other Donations                                       | 50                                        | -                                    | -                                   | 50                              |
| Costumer Hire from our Stores                         | 200                                       | -                                    | -                                   | 200                             |
| Ticket Sales From Show                                | 15,149                                    | -                                    | -                                   | 15,149                          |
| Programme & Raffles Show Week                         | 1,847                                     | -                                    | -                                   | 1,847                           |
| Donations                                             | 351                                       | -                                    | -                                   | 351                             |
|                                                       | -                                         | -                                    | -                                   | -                               |
| <b>Sub total</b> (Gross income for AR)                | 20,186                                    | -                                    | -                                   | 20,186                          |
| <b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>    |                                           |                                      |                                     |                                 |
|                                                       | -                                         | -                                    | -                                   | -                               |
|                                                       | -                                         | -                                    | -                                   | -                               |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                      | -                                         | -                                    | -                                   | -                               |
| <b>Total receipts</b>                                 | 20,186                                    | -                                    | -                                   | 20,186                          |
| <b>A3 Payments</b>                                    |                                           |                                      |                                     |                                 |
| Rehearsal Space                                       | £ 1,150.00                                | -                                    | -                                   | 1,150                           |
| Costumes/Storage                                      | £ 425.90                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 426                             |
| Set                                                   | £ 806.60                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 807                             |
| Lighting                                              | £ 645.60                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 646                             |
| Sound                                                 | £ 2,280.00                                | -                                    | -                                   | 2,280                           |
| Makeup                                                | £ 52.39                                   | -                                    | -                                   | 52                              |
| Rights for Show/Royalties/logo                        | £ 3,456.60                                | -                                    | -                                   | 3,457                           |
| Insurance/Corporation tax                             | £ 406.00                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 406                             |
| Theatre Costs (inc Sound)                             | £ 4,202.40                                | -                                    | -                                   | 4,202                           |
| Production Team/Band                                  | £ 3,100.00                                | -                                    | -                                   | 3,100                           |
| Props                                                 | £ 315.42                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 315                             |
| Marketing/Flyers                                      | £ 667.86                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 668                             |
| Miscellaneous                                         | £ 443.81                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 444                             |
| Programmes & Raffles(Outgoing)                        | £ 390.00                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 390                             |
| Contingency                                           | -                                         | -                                    | -                                   | -                               |
| Hoodies (Outgoing)                                    | £ 310.00                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 310                             |
|                                                       | -                                         | -                                    | -                                   | -                               |
|                                                       | -                                         | -                                    | -                                   | -                               |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                      | 18,653                                    | -                                    | -                                   | 18,653                          |
| <b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b> |                                           |                                      |                                     |                                 |
|                                                       | -                                         | -                                    | -                                   | -                               |
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| <b>Sub total</b>                                      | -                                         | -                                    | -                                   | -                               |
| <b>Total payments</b>                                 | 18,653                                    | -                                    | -                                   | 18,653                          |
| <b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>                     | 1,534                                     | -                                    | -                                   | 1,534                           |
| <b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>                     | -                                         | -                                    | -                                   | -                               |
| <b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>                    | -                                         | -                                    | -                                   | -                               |
| <b>Cash funds this year end</b>                       | 1,534                                     | -                                    | -                                   | 1,534                           |

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

| Categories                                          | Details                                                                                                                                | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £ |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>B1 Cash funds</b>                                | HSBC Account                                                                                                                           | 8,407                              | -                                |
|                                                     | Barclays Account                                                                                                                       | 8,943                              | -                                |
|                                                     |                                                                                                                                        | -                                  | -                                |
|                                                     | <b>Total cash funds</b>                                                                                                                | <b>17,350</b>                      | <b>-</b>                         |
|                                                     | (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))                                                                                 | Agreement Error                    | OK                               |
| <b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>                     | Details                                                                                                                                | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £ |
|                                                     | Aladdin royalties not cashed                                                                                                           | 2,291                              | -                                |
|                                                     | Wizard of Oz royalties not yet cashed, agreed with rights holders to be paid in instalments after the end of year accounts have closed | 3,457                              | -                                |
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| <b>B3 Investment assets</b>                         | Details                                                                                                                                | Fund to which asset belongs        | Cost (optional)                  |
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| <b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b> | Details                                                                                                                                | Fund to which asset belongs        | Cost (optional)                  |
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| <b>B5 Liabilities</b>                               | Details                                                                                                                                | Fund to which liability relates    | Amount due (optional)            |
|                                                     |                                                                                                                                        |                                    | -                                |
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signed by the Chair

*A. J. F. Longbottom*

Full name(s): Anthony John Francis Longbottom

Date: 28.01.2023,

Signed by the Chair

*A. J. F. Longbottom*

Full name(s): Anthony John Francis Longbottom

Date: 28 . 01 . 2023 ,

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