

Brightlight Trustees Report - Dec 2025

Chairs' report and update on charitable giving - Gillian Luck

Another good year for Brightlight, we have had lots of fun. From the performance of Song keeper at Frimley we purchased 7 welcome packs for refugee children coming to the UK. As always, we have donated 10% of our ticket sales to Katcando and we have awarded the Brightlight Christmas Gift split between two worthwhile charities; Ash Food bank and Charlie's Promise, both nominated and voted for by group members.

Treasurer's report - Greg Coles

We started the year with circa £15'000 and have ended the year with circa £17'000 in the accounts. This is due to a highly successful year of ticket sales.

Expenses have all been submitted.

We have received a one off donation in a will which has been added to the miscellaneous figures.

We have donated 660 to Katcando from our ticket sales. Subs remain the same at present.

There are plans to make a donation to the school.

Trustees

It is really good to see we have ended the year with a successful financial outlook as we have invested in our show lighting this year at additional cost. This lighting has enhanced our performances.

The artistic outlook this year has been incredibly strong. We have tried a new festival this year with the Start of Something at Maidenhead which was a huge success and called back for the semi final. Song keeper competed in Welwyn, performed on our main stage and in the Bromsgrove NDFA finals which was an honour to be part of. The experience of Bromsgrove was brilliant and it was great publicity for Brightlight, we have now written blog posts for the NDFA adding to our positive publicity.

We have had three phenomenal main stage productions, where we have been selling tickets in the interval for our next performance. We sold out Almost Holmes, helped in part by Christmas but in large part by our reputation of putting on good quality work.

We began the year with Glorious, every performance was amazing, Andrea did an amazing job in her role and Sylvia was praised for her commitment and for learning Spanish. The directing was acknowledged as a success.

Farndale Murder Mystery was brilliantly done, Allaine and Julie did a fantastic job bringing this together and the cast and crew worked well as an ensemble. Getting a play 'wrong' can be hard but we did it very 'right'. The set was praised.

Almost Holmes was again a fantastic performance, directed by Judy this was a sell out performance. There was a huge marketing push from the whole team which made a positive impact on our sales.

Emphasis will be put on marketing pushes for future performances as well, although we acknowledge it is unlikely we will sell out outside of Christmas. Nearly 600 people are on our mailing list, we will also continue to utilise social media and WhatsApp.

Looking ahead to 2026 there is no reason we cannot continue our success. Entertaining Angels is in the process of being cast, we have already sold 29 tickets. We have also cast and will begin rehearsals next week for The Aviary which will perform at Maidenhead, Welwyn and Henley.

Our September production coincides with the 200th anniversary of St. Peters Church, we will be writing a play specifically to sit within that celebration. We will also be asking parishioners of their memories to include in this performance.

Thank you everyone for 2025, I am constantly inspired by the commitment and dedication I see from everyone in Brightlight.

Brightlight operates as a charity with an elected committee, from our elected committee the Chair, Deputy Chair, Treasurer and Secretary also stand as our charity trustees. To be compliant with our constitution, they should be formally elected/ appointed at the AGM.

Trustees

Gillian Luck (chair)

Greg Coles (Treasurer)

Judy Price (Secretary)

Brightlight Theatre Company
Accounts for the year to 31 December 2025

HSBC Account -	61691570	£
Opening balance	per bank 01-Jan-25	14,812
	2025 accruals & prepaymen (Ent Angel)	(252)
Membership fees - 2025	1,145	
Glorious	961	
Farndale Murder Mystery	1,557	
Holmes	2,855	
Income	2,629	
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Expenses	5,185	
Donations to good causes	224	
Donations to Katcando	660	
Christmas 2025 donations	500	
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Bank balance carried forward		17,138
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Income	£
Bank interest	256
Amazon	
Gift Aid	16
Login Lounge	
Legacy Gift - D MacNeil	2,000
Songkeeper	229
Donations through Try Booking	128
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	2,629
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Expenses		£
Storage	From 1 Nov 2020 - £40 per month	520
School Hall Hire	See other tab	2,600
Bank charges		48
Projector		93
Refreshments		105
Engraving		
Other props / show expenses		20
LED Lights and cabelling - (Jamie)		764
Insurance	to 31 August 2026	158
New lights and cables		274
Square Fees		12
Gifts etc		84
Santa hats		40
T Shirts		189
Surrey Heath Camberley - advert? - 9 Jun 25		21
Start of Something		78
Improv - C Mead		180
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		5,185 0
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TOTAL EXPENSES		<hr/>
		5,185
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Brightlight Theatre Company
School Hall hire

Agreed rental fee is 20 per evening
 So annual cost = 52 weeks
 2 evenings per week
 2,080 approx annual cost

Approx cost per show 693

	Date	From	To	No.	Cost	
2021	Aug-21	17-Aug-21	26-Oct-21	22	440	
	Nov-21	02-Nov-21	27-Jan-21	23	460	
						900
2022	Jan-22	01-Feb-22	28-Apr-22	26	520	
	May-22	03-May-22	28-Jul-22	26	520	
	Jul-22	02-Aug-22	27-Oct-22	26	520	
	Nov-22				520	
						2,080
2023					480	
		02-May-23	29-Aug-23	35	700	
	Frimley Green Church Hall (temporary)				288	
	School Hall to end Dec 2023				453	
						1,921
					700	
		02-May-24	29-Aug-24		700	
		03-Sep-24	19-Dec-24	37	680	
						2,080
		02-Jan-25	30-Apr-25		700	
		01-May-25	31-Jul-25		560	
		05-Aug-25	27-Nov-25		720	
			31-Mar-26		620	
						2,600

We need to a profit of £693 per show to cover the rehearsal venue.

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Songkeeper

£

Jamie - including banner, flyers, refreshments (326)

Income from Frimley show 710

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Allaine (8)

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Alan - photographer (10)

Discretionary fund (63)

Judy (100)

229

Brightlight Theatre Company
Glorious

£

Ticket Sales		1,890
Front of House	Raffle	108
	Refreshments	530
	Donations	(0)
Gift aid on above		
<u>Expenses</u>		
Hall Hire		(521)
Licence fee		(252)
Temporary Event Notices		(42)
Publicity / leaflets etc		(15)
Hamper		(36)
Scripts		(111)
FOH / refreshments	Jamie	126
	Gillian	36
	Cat	10
		(172)
Props / costume / set	Gillian	108
	Cat	
	Alison	146
	Allaine	26
	Adam	
	John	138
		(419)
Profit before donation		961

Ticket sales		
Number	Price	Total
77	10	770
140	8	1,120
3	0	0
220		1,890

Brightlight Theatre Company
Farndale

£

Ticket Sales 1,994

Front of House Raffle 99
 Refreshments 734
 Scripts (Denise & Jeremy) 10

Gift aid on above

Expenses

Hall Hire (521)
 Licence fee (252)
 Temporary Event Notices (42)
 Publicity / leaflets etc (35)
 Hamper
 Gifts

FOH / refreshments Jamie
 Gillian
 Cat 93
 (93)

Props / costume / set Karina
 Alison 60
 Gillian 29
 Allaine 145
 Andrea 51
 John 52
 (338)

Profit before donation 1,557.24

Ticket sales

Number	Price	Total
65	10	650
168	8	1,344
14	0	0
247		1,994

Brightlight Theatre Company
Holmes

£

Ticket Sales	3,020
Front of House	
Raffle	250
Refreshments	680
Donations	126
	111
<u>Expenses</u>	
Hall Hire	(446)
Licence fee	
Temporary Event Notices	(21)
Publicity / leaflets etc	(88)
Kids sets	(32)

Ticket sales		
Number	Price	Total
122	10	1,220
225	8	1,800
	0	0
347		3,020

FOH / refreshments	
Jamie	318
Davina	20
JP	10
Cat	20
Allaine	24
	(392)

Props / costume / set	
Jamie	65
Alison	
Allaine	170
Judy	60
John	57
	(353)

Profit before donation 2,855