

RODE HALL SILVER BAND

England & Wales · Charity number 1188216

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2020-02-27

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE: TO ADVANCE PUBLIC EDUCATION IN AND APPRECIATION OF BRASS BAND MUSIC IN THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE AND SOUTH CHESHIRE AREAS, IN PARTICULAR BY: I) EDUCATING AND DEVELOPING PROSPECTIVE AND ESTABLISHED MUSICIANS OF ALL AGES IN THE SKILLS, ART AND SCIENCE OF MUSIC AS PERFORMED BY TRADITIONAL BRITISH BRASS BANDS; II) EDUCATING THE PUBLIC IN THE ART OF BRASS BAND MUSIC WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO MUSIC PRESENTED BY BRITISH BRASS BANDS, THROUGH CONCERTS AND OTHER RELATED ACTIVITIES, KEEPING THE TRADITIONS OF BRASS BANDING IN THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE AND SOUTH CHESHIRE AREA.

Activities: Rode Hall Silver Band exists for the purpose of the promotion of, education in and appreciation of brass band music amongst persons of all ages. Through provision of rehearsal, development time and public performance, the skills and training of members is developed whilst engaging with the wider community.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** LOCAL
- Cheshire East
- Cheshire West & Chester
- Derbyshire
- Staffordshire
- Stoke-on-trent City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£9,176	£10,140	-	-
2024-04-05	£10,226	£10,952	-	-
2023-04-05	£8,457	£7,919	-	-
2022-04-05	£5,703	£14,028	-	-
2021-04-05	£21,965	£1,547	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ANNA JOY WHITEHURST		2020-01-09
David Giannasi		2020-01-09
STEPHEN TWEMLOW		2020-01-09
Sarah Jane Turner		2025-03-20
Susan Howell		2024-07-11

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Rode Hall Silver Band Trustees Annual Report

For the year 6 April 2024 to 5 April 2025

Administration Details

Charity Name: **Rode Hall Silver Band**

Charity Registration Number: **1188216**

Charity Address: **Scholar Green Village Hall, Church Lane, Scholar Green, Cheshire, ST7 3QQ**

Charity Trustees:

Trustee Name	Office
Brian Rogers	Chairperson
Anna Whitehurst	Secretary
Michael Whitehurst to step down and Nicholas Wright to take over with transition taking place from August 2024 to the end of 2024-2025 financial year	Treasurer
Dave Giannasi	Band Manager
Steve Twemlow	Vice Chairperson
Nicholas Wright	Committee Member / Trustee
Simon Greasby	Committee Member / Trustee
Susan Howell	Committee Member / Trustee

Structure, Governance & Management

Type of Governing Document: Constitution

Adopted: 9 January 2020

Amended: N/A*

*A Resolution Document (reference 0205_01) has been produced to review and document how subscriptions should be handled in the accounts. This Document was recommended by the independent examiner of the accounts during the formal audit. In essence the Document details the following:

- how subscriptions should be handled in the accounts where individuals make quarterly or annual pre-payments. These will be recognised in the accounts in full at the time of payment but the monies paid in advance will be 'ring-fenced' and not be considered as working capital in the event of a change in circumstances for the Band such that the monies need to be refunded to an individual.
- how changes in financial or other circumstances of individuals should be handled and managed.
- when subscriptions will become due from individuals who are new to the Band.

How the Charity is Constituted: **Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Association Model)**

The Band is managed by an executive committee of Trustees appointed annually by the membership. The executive committee discharges some accountabilities as shown below to committee and non-committee members to support the running of the Band (individuals holding the positions, appointed at the 11 July 2024 AGM are shown in brackets).

- Librarian (Nicholas Wright)
- Instruments and Equipment Manager (Nicholas Wright)
- Media and Promotions Manager (Susan Howell)
- Fundraising Manager (Ed Gillespie)
- Contest Secretary (Katharine Slater)
- Deps Manager (position not formally allocated; Dave Giannasi, Band Manager will co-ordinate)
- Band Heritage Manager (position remains vacant)

Objectives and Activities

Summary of Objectives

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- Promote musical direction.

Achievements and Performance

Achievements of the Management Team

The administration of the Charity is carried out by the Trustees and non-Trustee members with allocated management roles. Collectively the team manage:

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- HMRC Gift Aid
- Concert Bookings
- Contest Bookings
- Travel
- Band Instruments and Uniform
- Fundraising
- Insurance
- Band Safe / BOPAs / DBS Checks
- Player Registrations
- Memberships (BBE, Making Music, NWABBA)
- Health and Safety

Impact and Achievements of Rode Hall Silver Band

Rehearsals

The Band was able this year to deliver a schedule of rehearsal, totalling ~193 hours of musical development time available for each of the members.

Supporting other Charitable Organisations & Community Events

The Band was active during the period supporting a range of community events as follows.

Date	Event
4 May 2024	Knutsford Royal May Day
18 May 2024	Astbury May Day
27 May 2024	St James' Church, Audlem on the occasion of Audlem Festival
1 June 2024	D-Day commemorative event in collaboration with Biddulph Male Voice Choir
6 June 2024	D-Day commemorative concert (own concert)
15 June 2024	Mobberley Rose Festival
29 June 2024	Goostrey Rose Festival

18 August 2024	Friends of Congleton Park Band Stand
7 September 2024	Friends of Hanley Park Band Stand
14 September 2024	Last Night of the Proms Rotary Charity Concert
10 November 2024	Biddulph Remembrance Parade
15 November 2024	Middleport Pottery Community Event / Christmas Lights Switch On
29 November 2024	Congleton Christmas Lights Switch On
1 December 2024	Scholar Green Village Hall Community Carols and Lights Switch On
1 December 2024	Goostrey Scouts Christmas Lights Switch On
7 December 2024	Rode Hall Christmas Market*
15 December 2024	Congleton Market Quarter Carols for Christmas Event
22 December 2024	Cross Street Church Candlelight Carol Service
22 December 2024	Community Carolling, The Unicorn Pub, Congleton

*Event subsequently cancelled due to adverse weather

Contests

The Band entered and competed in the following contests during the 2024-25 period:

Contest	Date	Piece	Place
Whit Friday Marches, playing at a number of venues across Saddleworth and Tameside	24 May 2024	Bramwyn	Various
NEMBBA Preview Contest	16 February 2025	Arkansas	1st
NW Area Regional Championships	23 February 2025	Arkansas	12th

Finance

Reserves Policy

The charity aims to keep sufficient funds in reserve to maintain operation for a minimum period of two years. The Band currently holds funds in line with this aim.

Treasurer's Summary Notes

Expenditure exceeded income in this annual period and the year ended with a small deficit of £963.81. Income was sufficient to cover the basic running costs of the Band but discretionary spend on purchasing instruments and uniforms led to a managed deficit.

Comments on Income

- Income from concert bookings remained stable vs the previous financial year.
- Donation and Grant income was significantly lower than the financial period 2023-2024.
- Public cash collection income increased from the previous year following successful carolling events.
- There was a small income from the NEMBBA contest prize money (£130.00).
- The Band organised a D-Day commemorative concert but did not hold its own Christmas Concert in 2024. The tickets sales for the D-Day event were significantly higher than historical Christmas concerts, due to increased ticket prices.
- Income was sufficient to fund the basic running costs of the Band.

Comments on Expenditure

- Expenses associated with contesting decreased on the previous year as the Band did not participate in the Ironbridge Brass Band Festival or the Wychavon Entertainment Contest so did not hire vehicles (mini-bus or coach). Members travelled independently to the February NEMBBA contest.
- Whilst no individual brass instruments were purchased during this period, a set of granite blocks was purchased along with equipment items. The equipment comprised mutes (six), a mouthpiece, a tuba stand, and boxes to house music. In addition, a printer/scanner to support the role of the Librarian was purchased.
- Uniform costs incurred during this financial year reflect the purchase of five additional short stage jackets, beanie hats and branded ties.
- Five instruments were serviced/repared in 2023-2024 in support of new players joining the Band and to ensure instruments were kept in working order.
- Increase in contesting registration fees reflect the costs of 24-month validation of member registration cards (achieving a £30 reduction vs annual validation).

End of year Balance Sheet as of 5th April 2025

ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Trade Debtors (1100)	£	50.00
Treasurers Account (1200)	£	6,042.29
BB INST ONLINE (1220)	£	15,773.82
	TOTAL ASSETS	£21,866.11
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
	Total Current Liabilities	£ -
Future Liabilities		
	Total Future Liabilities	£ -
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	£ -
	TOTAL NET ASSETS	£21,866.11
EQUITY		
Net Assets (current year)	£21,866.11	
Net Assets (prior year)	£22,829.92	
Net Profit / Loss (current year)	£ -963.81	
	TOTAL EQUITY	£21,866.11

Receipts and Payments 6 April 2024 to 5 April 2025

Receipts	2023–2024	2024–2025
Concert Fees	£ 4,240.00	£ 4,770.00
Contest Prizes	£ -	£ 130.00
Donation	£ 293.93	£ 10.00
Grants	£ 1,000.00	£ -
Online Shopping Income	£ 18.41	£ 34.76
Instrument Sales	£ 799.79	£ 139.54

Interest	£ 164.37	£ 174.02
Public Collections	£ 140.78	£ 284.91
Subscriptions	£ 3,113.50	£ 2,825.00
Concert Ticket Sales	£ 455.00	£ 808.00

Income Totals	£ 10,225.78	£ 9,176.23
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Payments	2023–2024	2024–2025
Awards and Gifts	£ 470.50	£ 201.48
Band Social Events	£ -	£ 60.00
Coaches	£ 2,261.20	£ 917.60
Concert Expenses	£ 71.24	£ -
Conductor Expenses	£ 1,380.00	£ 1,485.00
Contest Expenses	£ 318.00	£ 313.42
Deps Expenses	£ 24.00	£ 101.43
Instrument & Band Equipment Purchase	£ 2,388.06	£ 995.97
Instrument Repairs	£ 372.85	£ 848.00
Insurance	£ 703.00	£ 718.00
Music	£ 39.48	£ 160.92
Postage & Carriage	£ 86.98	£ 34.90
Refreshments	£ 24.49	£ 16.35
Registrations & Memberships	£ 271.40	£ 459.40
Rehearsal Venue Hire	£ 1,694.50	£ 1,704.50
Stationery	£ 28.93	£ 58.59
Training	£ 130.00	£ -
Uniform	£ 644.76	£ 2,004.63
Web Site	£ 43.06	£ 59.85

Expenditure Totals	£10,952.45	£10,140.04
Surplus / Deficit	£ -726.67	£ -963.81

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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.

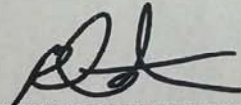
Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and 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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed:



Name: R. Carter

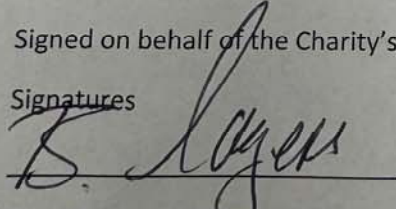
Date: 08/01/2026

Declaration

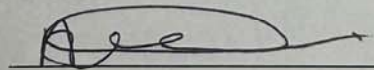
The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees.

Signatures



Brian Rogers (Chairperson)



Anna Whitehurst (Secretary)

Date:

11/01/2026

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For the year 06.04.2023 to 05.04.2024

Administration Details

Charity Name : **Rode Hall Silver Band**

Charity Registration Number: **1188216**

Charity Address: **Scholar Green Village Hall, Church Lane, Scholar Green, Cheshire, ST7 3QQ**

Charity Trustees:

Trustee Name	Office
Victoria Sherwood	Chairperson
Anna Whitehurst	Secretary
Michael Whitehurst	Treasurer
Dave Giannasi	Band Manager
Steve Twemlow	Vice Chairperson
Nicholas Wright	Trustee
Simon Greasby	Trustee
Susan Howell	Trustee

Structure, Governance & Management

Type of Governing Document: Constitution

Adopted: 9th January 2020

Amended: N/A

How the Charity is Constituted: Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Association Model)

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- Fundraising Manager
- Contest Secretary
- Bandroom Manager

Objectives and Activities

Summary of Objectives

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Achievements and Performance

Achievements of the Management Team

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- Concert Bookings
- Contest Bookings
- Travel
- Band Instruments and Uniform
- Fundraising
- Insurance
- Band Safe / BOPAs
- Player Registrations
- Memberships (BBE, Making Music, NWABBA)
- Health and Safety

Impact and Achievements of Rode Hall Silver Band

Rehearsals

The band was able this year to deliver a schedule of rehearsal, totalling 183 hours of musical development time available for each of the members.

Supporting other Charitable Organisations & Community Events

The band was active during the period supporting a range of community events as follows.

Date	Event
13 th May 2023	Knutsford Royal May Day
20 st May 2023	Astbury May Day
17th June 2023	Mobberley Rose Festival
24 th June 2023	Goostrey Rose Festival
2nd July 2023	Congleton Civic Parade
22nd July 2023	Ironbridge Brass Band Festival

14th August 2023	Friends of Congleton Park Band stand
16th September 2023	Last Night of the Proms Rotary Charity Concert
1st October 2023	Friend of Congleton Park - Town Hall Concert
12th November 2023	Biddulph Remembrance Parade
17th November 2023	Middleport Pottery Christmas Lights Switch on
25 th November 2023	Congleton Christmas Lights Switch On
26th November 2023	Goostrey Scouts Christmas Lights Switch on
4 th December 2023	Scholar Green Community Carols
8 th December 2023	RHSB Christmas Concert, Knypersley First School
17 th December 2023	Cross Street Church Carol Service

Contests

The band entered and competed in the following contests during the 2023-24 period:

Contest	Date	Piece	Place
Whit Friday Saddleworth	2nd June 2023	Cossack	Various
Wychavon Festival of Brass	5th November 2023	Various	14
NW Area Regional Championships	25th February 2023	Corineus	14

Finance

Reserves Policy

The charity aims to keep sufficient funds in reserve to maintain operation for a minimum period of two years. The band currently holds funds in line with this aim.

Treasurer's Summary notes

Expenditure exceeded income in this annual period and the year ended with a small deficit of £794.82. Income was sufficient to cover the basic running costs of the band but discretionary spend on instruments and equipment led to a managed deficit.

Comments on Income

- Income from concert bookings increased 33% versus the previous year
- Donation income was significantly lower than 2022-23
- The band benefited from a grant of £1000 from Congleton Young People Trust
- Public cash collection income decreased versus the previous year, continuing a downward trend. Fewer opportunities to collect cash were realised over the Christmas period which is typically when most small cash donations are received.
- There was no income from contest prizes.
- The band organised its second annual Christmas concert to raise funds.

- Income was sufficient to fund the basic running costs of the band.

Comments on expenditure

- The committee invested in service recognition awards for the annual awards night, temporarily increasing spend on Gifts and Awards.
- Expenses associated with contesting increased on the previous year, primarily due to funding additional coaches.
- Insurance costs increased; market comparisons were made at renewal to try to mitigate increases.
- A flugel horn was purchased and added to the band's inventory in the period.
- Uniform costs reflect ad-hoc additions.
- Costs for hiring rehearsal space increased. This comprised a 7% increase in cost at the Village Hall and a £175 increase in cost for the rehearsal venue in Blackpool prior to the Area Contest.

End of year Balance Sheet 5th April 2024

ASSETS

Current Assets

Trade Debtors (1100)	£150.00	
Treasurers Account (1200)	£7,765.12	
BB INST ONLINE (1220)	£15,599.80	
Cash in safe	£20.00	
	TOTAL ASSETS	£23,534.92

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities

Trade Creditors (2100)	£705.00	
	Total Current Liabilities	£705.00

Future Liabilities

	Total Future Liabilities	£0.00
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	£705.00
	TOTAL NET ASSETS	£22,829.92

EQUITY

Net Assets (current year)	£22,829.92	
Net Assets (prior year)	£23,556.59	
Net Profit / Loss (current year)	£-726.67	
	TOTAL EQUITY	£22,829.92

Receipts and Payments 6th April 2023 to 5th April 2024

Receipts	2022-2023	2023-2024
Concert Fees	£ 3,180.00	£ 4,240.00
Contest Prizes	£ 350.00	£ -
Donation	£ 780.00	£ 293.93
Grants	£ -	£ 1,000.00
Online Shopping Income	£ 5.00	£ 18.41
Other Income	£ 25.00	£ -
Instrument Sales	£ -	£ 799.79
Interest	£ 29.24	£ 164.37
Public Collections	£ 209.97	£ 140.78
Subscriptions	£ 3,139.50	£ 3,113.50
Supplementary Contributions (Coaches Fees etc)	£ 40.00	£ -
Concert Ticket Sales	£ 698.12	£ 455.00
Income Totals	£ 8,456.83	£ 10,225.78

Payments	2022-2023	2023-24
Awards and Gifts	£ 31.99	£ 470.50
Band Social Events	£ 158.37	£ -
Coaches	£ 1,310.00	£ 2,261.20
Concert Expenses	£ 68.90	£ 71.24
Conductor Expenses	£ 1,500.00	£ 1,380.00
Contest Expenses	£ 361.00	£ 318.00
Deps	£ 15.00	£ 24.00
Electricity	£ (27.00)	£ -
Instrument & Band Equipment Purchase	£ 1,094.88	£ 2,388.06
Instrument Repair	£ 25.00	£ 372.85
Insurance	£ 669.00	£ 703.00
Music	£ 424.34	£ 39.48
Postage & Carriage	£ 39.99	£ 86.98

Refreshments	£ -	£ 24.49
Registrations & Memberships	£ 353.15	£ 271.40
Stationary	£ -	£ 28.93
Training	£ -	£ 130.00
Uniform	£ 453.20	£ 644.76
Rehearsal Venue Hire	£ 1,362.50	£ 1,694.50
Water	£ 19.35	£ -
Web Site	£ 59.85	£ 43.06
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Expenditure Totals	£ 7,919.52	£ 10,952.45
Surplus / Deficit	£537.31	£ -726.67

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Rode Hall Silver Band

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Rode Hall Silver Band (the Trust) for the year ended 5 April 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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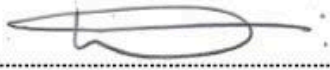
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Signed:


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Name: K.I. Mackintosh

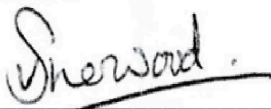
Date: 6 July 2024

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Signatures



Victoria Sherwood (Chairperson)



Anna Whitehurst (Secretary)

Date: 11th July 2024

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Trustee's Annual Report

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Michael Whitehurst	Treasurer
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Nicholas Wright	Trustee
Simon Greasby	Trustee
Anna Whitehurst	Trustee

Structure, Governance & Management

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- Player Registrations
- Memberships (BBE, Making Music, NWABBA)
- Health and Safety including Covid19 management

Impact and Achievements of Rode Hall Silver Band

Rehearsals

The band was able this year to deliver a full schedule of rehearsal, totalling 200 hours of musical development time available for each of the members.

Supporting other Charitable Organisations & Community Events

The band was active during the period supporting a range of community events as follows.

Date	Event
7 th May 2022	Knutsford Royal May Day
21 st May 2022	Astbury May Day
19 th June 2022	Rode Hall Farmers Market
19 th June 2022	Congleton Civic Parade
25 th June 2022	Goostrey Rose Festival
9 th July 2022	Ironbridge Brass Band Festival

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15 th December 2022	Congleton Town Carol Service
18 th December 2022	Cross Street Church Carol Service

Contests

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Contest	Date	Piece	Place
Whit Friday Saddleworth	6 th June 2022	Mephistopheles	Various
Bolsover Festival of Brass	1st October 2022	Various	3
NW Area Regional Championships	26th February 2022	Chorale and Toccata	11

Finance

Reserves Policy

The charity aims to keep sufficient funds in reserve to maintain operation for a minimum period of two years. The band currently holds funds exceeding the minimum reserve. As 2022-23 was the first representative full year following the pandemic, investments over and above the basic running costs of the band were accommodated within the in-year income. Opportunity to utilise excess funds in line with our charitable objectives will be explored by the trustees in the coming financial year.

Treasurer's Summary notes

Band activity in the financial year 2022-23 was much more representative of normal income and expenditure, after the Covid-19 pandemic restrictions which were still in force for some of the previous year.

Income and expenditure were well balanced over the year and the year ended with a modest surplus of £537.31.

Comments on Income

- Income from concert bookings increased versus the previous year which was somewhat affected from events restarting after the pandemic.
- Donation income increased compared with the previous year.

- Public collection income increased versus the previous year but was still low in comparison with the last five years. Fewer opportunities to collect cash were realised over the Christmas period which is typically where small cash donations are received.
- Subscriptions income increased with a full year of collections.
- The band benefited from contest prize money to the tune of £350.
- The band organised its own Christmas concert in the year which generated more income (£698) than a 3rd party concert booking would do.
- Income was sufficient to fund the running costs of the band.

Comments on expenditure

- Expenses associated with contesting have increased, due to funding additional coaches, additional rehearsals, entry fees and player registrations.
- Acoustic screens were purchased to protect the hearing of players.
- Insurance costs increased; market comparisons will be made at the next renewal.
- Expenditure on new music increased again over previous years.
- Uniform costs were much lower than the previous year when significant investments were made. Costs were more reflective of ad-hoc additions.
- The band benefited from a modest refund on energy costs that ceased when the accounts were closed at the former band room.
- The band benefited from a lower annual fee negotiated with the Village Hall for rehearsal space. This fee is set to increase in the next financial year by 7%.

End of year Balance Sheet 5th April 2023

ASSETS

Current Assets

Treasurers Account (1200)	£8,036.16	
Cash Band Manager (1210)	£100.00	
BB INST ONLINE (1220)	£15,435.43	
	TOTAL ASSETS	£23,571.59

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities

Trade Creditors (2100)	£15.00	
	Total Current Liabilities	£15.00

Future Liabilities

Total Future Liabilities £0.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES £15.00

TOTAL NET ASSETS £23,556.59

EQUITY

Net Assets (current year)	£23,556.59	
Net Assets (prior year)	£23,048.13	
Net Profit / Loss (current year)	£537.31	
	TOTAL EQUITY	£23,556.59

Receipts and Payments 6th April 2022 to 5th April 2023

Receipts	2021-2022	2022-2023
Concert Fees	£ 2,798.91	£ 3,180.00
Contest Prizes	£ -	£ 350.00
Donation	£ 125.50	£ 780.00
Online Shopping Income	£ -	£ 5.00
Other Income	£ 100.00	£ 25.00
Interest	£ 1.56	£ 29.24
Public Collections	£ 178.87	£ 209.97
Subscriptions	£ 2,098.00	£ 3,139.50
Supplementary Contributions (Coaches Fees etc)	£ -	£ 40.00
Concert Ticket Sales	£ -	£ 698.12
Income Totals	£ 5,302.84	£ 8,456.83

Payments	2021-2022	2022-2023
Awards and Gifts	£ 77.79	£ 31.99
Band Social Events	£ 75.00	£ 158.37
Coaches	£ 695.00	£ 1,310.00
Committee Meeting Expenses	£ 45.00	£ -
Concert Expenses	£ -	£ 68.90
Conductor Expenses	£ 1,185.00	£ 1,500.00
Contest Expenses	£ 270.00	£ 361.00
Cost of Sales	£ 100.00	£ -
Deps	£ 64.56	£ 15.00
Electricity	£ 96.00	£ (27.00)
Instrument & Band Equipment Purchase	£ 1,034.22	£ 1,094.88
Instrument Repair	£ 330.00	£ 25.00
Insurance	£ 629.00	£ 669.00

Music	£ 352.03	£ 424.34
Postage & Carriage	£ 39.88	£ 39.99
Registrations & Memberships	£ 256.35	£ 353.15
Uniform	£ 6,577.50	£ 453.20
Village Hall Hire	£ 2,090.00	£ 1,362.50
Water	£ 67.28	£ 19.35
Web Site	£ 43.06	£ 59.85
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Expenditure Totals	£ 14,027.67	£ 7,919.52
Surplus / Deficit	£(8,324.83)	£537.31

Independent Examination

An independent examination of the accounts was carried out on 13th June 2023 by Caitlin Beardmore (FIAB), Caitlin Beardmore Ltd.

caitlin@caitlinbeardmore.co.uk

6/20/23, 5:06 PM

Gmail - Year End Audit



Michael Whitehurst <michael.76whitehurst@gmail.com>

Year End Audit

1 message

Caitlin Beardmore <caitlinbeardmore@gmail.com>
To: Michael Whitehurst <treasurer@rodehallband.org.uk>

20 June 2023 at 09:41

Good Morning Michael

Thank you for inviting me to carry out your year end financial audit this year.

The information submitted both electronically and in paperwork format was clear and concise. All transactions were recorded clearly and consistently, the supporting paperwork was presented well documented and filed in an acceptable format.

As a suggestion, we spoke about entering all transactions with a consequential number on sage which would mirror the paper document filed.

My other suggestion would be to improve the hand written expense claims to include a name and address for the claimant and a signature along with supporting documentation for the monetary claim.

The records are well documented, neat and in a suitably acceptable format.

Regards

Caitlin Beardmore
Financial Controller

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Signatures

Victoria Sherwood (Chairperson)

Cari Latham (Secretary)

Date: 29th June 2023

RODE HALL SILVER BAND

England & Wales - Charity number 1188216

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report

2021 - 2022

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Rode Hall Silver Band Trustees Annual Report

For the year 06.04.2021 to 05.04.2022

Administration Details

Charity Name : **Rode Hall Silver Band**

Charity Registration Number: **1188216**

Charity Address: **Scholar Green Village Hall, Church Lane, Scholar Green, Cheshire, ST7 3QQ**

Charity Trustees:

Trustee Name	Office
Victoria Sherwood	Chairperson
Cari Latham	Secretary
Michael Whitehurst	Treasurer
Steve Twemlow	Band Manager
Dave Gianassi	Vice Chairperson
Nicholas Wright	Trustee
Simon Greasby	Trustee
Anna Whitehurst	Trustee

Structure, Governance & Management

Type of Governing Document: Constitution

Adopted: 9th January 2020

Amended: N/A

How the Charity is Constituted: Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Association Model)

The Band is managed by an executive committee of trustees appointed annually by the membership. The executive committee discharges some accountabilities to non-committee members in the following roles:

- Librarian
- Instruments and Equipment Manager
- Media and Promotions Manager
- Fundraising Manager
- Contest Secretary
- Bandroom Manager

Objectives and Activities

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Achievements and Performance

Achievements of the Management Team

The administration of the Charity is carried out by the Trustees and nonTrustee members with allocated management roles. Collectively the team manage:

- Band Financial Affairs
- HMRC GiftAid
- Concert Bookings
- Contest Bookings
- Travel
- Band Instruments and Uniform
- Fundraising
- Insurance
- Band Safe / BOPAs
- Player Registrations
- Memberships (BBE, Making Music, NWABBA)
- Health and Safety including Covid19 management

Impact and Achievements of Rode Hall Silver Band

Rehearsals

Following the worst of the Covid-19 Pandemic, from late May 2021 the band were able to re-establish twice-weekly rehearsals at the Scholar Green Village Hall, totalling 138 hours of musical development time for the members.

Supporting other Charitable Organisations & Community Events

Opportunities to support and play at community events were somewhat limited due to the ongoing impact of the pandemic, however activities increased significantly compared to the previous year. Most events were held outdoors and it is anticipated that a more normal annual program of events will resume from the year end.

Date	Event
14th September 2021	Congleton Civic Parade
19th September 2021	Congleton Cenotaph Dedication
25th September 2021	Last Night of the Proms Rotary Charity Concert
12th November 2021	Middleport Pottery Christmas Lights Switch on
28th November 2021	Goostrey Scouts Christmas Lights Switch on
16th December 2021	Congleton Town Carol Service
19th December 2021	Cross Street Church Carol Service

Contests

The band entered and competed in the following contests during the 2021-22 period:

Contest	Date	Piece	Place
Wychavon Festival of Brass	30th October 2021		4
NW Area Regional Championships	27th February 2022	Facets of Glass	10

Finance

Reserves Policy

The charity aims to keep sufficient funds in reserve to maintain operation for a minimum period of one year. This is calculated on the highest expenditure of the last 3 financial years, plus the annual cost of our new accommodation at Scholar Green Village Hall, as this is a new expenditure that the band has not previously had to finance.

At the start of the financial year, the band had exceeded the minimum reserve due to cessation of banding activity caused by the pandemic, as explained in the previous year's report.

During this financial year the trustees have made a number of investments in Uniform and Band Equipment to address the reserve excess.

Treasurer's Summary notes

Band activity resumed during the 2021-22 financial year although there were still impacts from the pandemic which impacted the band's income and expenditure.

Towards the end of the financial year, the trustees made the decision to vacate our previous rehearsal space in the building owned by Rode Hall Estate. The use of the Village Hall to facilitate social distancing during the pandemic has demonstrated that it is a more suitable rehearsal space. Although the use of this venue comes at a cost to the band versus the previous location, the band is now no longer faced with the significant investments that would be required to remain resident under a new lease with the Rode Hall Estate.

Comments on Income

- Income from bookings was re-established after the pandemic, but at the lowest total since 2016
- Donation and collection income was much lower than previous years as there were fewer playing opportunities to receive them and the general use of cash was much lower due to the pandemic
- £400 was raised from the sale of chairs as the band prepared to move to the Village Hall
- Subscriptions income was re-established as the band returned to rehearsals
- Overall income would not have been sufficient to cover running expenditures without the reserves in place at the start of the year. Resumption of normal activities in the next financial year is expected to address the majority of the deficit and the trustees are monitoring finances monthly

Comments on expenditure

- Expenses associated with contesting have resumed, such as coaches, additional rehearsals, entry fees and player registrations.
- £100 cost of sales was the agreed delivery fee for the sale of chairs - funded by the buyer
- A full set of new stands for concerts were purchased
- A major investment was made in new uniform, totalling £6577.50
- A number of new pieces of music were purchased
- Moving the band's rehearsal space to the Village Hall has introduced a new major ongoing expenditure. A lower annual fee has been negotiated with the Village Hall Trustees for the next financial year.

End of year Balance Sheet 5th April 2022

ASSETS

Current Assets

Treasurers Account (1200)	£10,872.99	
Cash Band Manager (1210)	£100.00	
BB INST ONLINE (1220)	£15,406.19	
	TOTAL ASSETS	£26,379.18

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities

Trade Creditors (2100)	£3,331.05	
	Total Current Liabilities	£3,331.05

Future Liabilities

	Total Future Liabilities	£0.00
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	£3,331.05
	TOTAL NET ASSETS	£23,048.13

EQUITY

Net Assets (current year)	£23,048.13	
Net Assets (prior year)	£31,372.96	
Net Profit / Loss (current year)	£(8,324.83)	
	TOTAL EQUITY	£23,048.13

Receipts and Payments 6th April 2021 to 5th April 2022

Receipts	2020-2021	2021-2022
Concert Fees	£	£ 2,798.91
Donation	£ 768.35	£ 125.50
Other Income	£	£ 100.00
Grants	£ 21,370.43	£
HMRC Gift Aid	£ 12.50	£
Instrument / Asset Sale	£	£ 400.00
Interest	£ 2.77	£ 1.56
Public Collections	£	£ 178.87
Subscriptions	£ (189.20)	£ 2,098.00
Receipts Totals	£ 21,964.85	£ 5,702.84
Payments	2020-2021	2021-2022
Awards and Gifts	£ 25.00	£ 77.79
Band Room Upkeep	£ 54.00	£
Band Social Events	£	£ 75.00
Coaches	£	£ 695.00
Committee Meeting Expenses	£	£ 45.00
Conductor Expenses	£ 210.00	£ 1,185.00
Contest Expenses	£	£ 270.00
Cost of Sales	£	£ 100.00
Covid19 Management	£ 137.48	£
Deps	£	£ 64.56
Donations	£ 50.00	£
Electricity	£ 228.00	£ 96.00
Instrument & Band Equipment Purchase	£	£ 1,034.22
Instrument Repair	£	£ 330.00
Insurance	£ 620.00	£ 629.00
Music	£	£ 352.03
Postage & Carriage	£	£ 39.88
Registrations & Memberships	£ 97.50	£ 256.35
Stationary	£ 3.10	£
Uniform	£	£ 6,577.50
Village Hall Hire	£	£ 2,090.00
Water	£ 62.17	£ 67.28
Web Site	£ 59.85	£ 43.06
Expenditure Totals	£ 1,547.10	£ 14,027.67
Profit / Loss		£(8,324.83)

Independent Examination

An independent examination of the accounts was carried out on the 16th May 2022 by Caitlin Beardmore (FIAB), Caitlin Beardmore Ltd.

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Michael Whitehurst <michael.76whitehurst@gmail.com>

Accepted: Examination of Accounts - Rode Hall Band

Caitlin Beardmore <caitlinbeardmore@gmail.com>
To: Michael Whitehurst <michael.76whitehurst@gmail.com>

18 May 2022 at 20:37

Hello Michael

It was nice to catch up again for this years accounts examination.

I can confirm that everything I checked in the records was in order and appropriately dealt with.

The cross referencing made locating the invoice and payments easy and the records are very consistently dealt with . The new expense claim meets the compliance criteria and captures the relevant information very well.

The sage program transaction content is very accurate and reconciles very well to the paper statements.

Hope your coast to coast goes well

Regards

Caitlin Beardmore

Declaration

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

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Achievements of Rode Hall Silver Band

Rehearsals

Due to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic and the resulting government restrictions on social contact, the band was limited to just 26 hours of rehearsal time. These rehearsals were restricted to small outdoor groups in compliance with the restrictions in place at the time. For comparison, during the 2019-20 year the band rehearsed twice weekly totalling 162 hours of full band musical development time.

Online music making

The trustees, with the support of the MD organised a number of 'stay at home' musical activities to enable members to participate in video performances of selected pieces of music. Players recorded videos of their own parts to a backing track, and the individual videos were edited together into a band performance. Most were produced to be shared on our own social media platforms, but we also entered the Foden's online Whit Friday Contest.

Supporting other Charitable Organisations & Community Events

Again, due to the pandemic, 15 planned events during year 2020-21 were unfortunately cancelled by the organisers. However, there were some limited opportunities to play outdoors in small groups for the community as detailed below. All performances were provided free of charge to the organisers to maximise our charitable impact in a challenging year.

Date	Event
5th December 2020	Carols at Rode Hall Farmers Market
13th December 2020 (afternoon)	Carols for Elderly residents of Biddulph housing association
13th December 2020 (evening)	Community Carol Service at Tesco car park
20th December 2020	Carols at Davlyn House, Knypersley



Contests

Contest	Date	Piece	Place
Fodens Online Whit Friday	5th June 2020	The Cossack	70

Finance

Reserves Policy

The charity aims to keep sufficient funds in reserve to maintain its assets for a minimum period of one year. Such costs cover insurance, utilities, rehearsal costs.

At present the band has exceeded the minimum reserve due to cessation of banding activity caused by the pandemic and therefore has incurred limited associated costs. In addition the band has benefitted from government assistance for business rate customers.

The retained reserves will be utilised going forwards to 'restart' band activity in a Covid safe environment and address the long term rehearsal accommodation and storage needs of the band.

Treasurer's Summary notes

Both income generated from band activity and operating costs were much reduced in Financial Year 2020-21 due to the Covid-19 pandemic and associated government restrictions.

With the benefit of Government support for business rate customers, the charity generated a surplus of £20,417.75.

Comments on Income

- No income was generated from bookings due to the pandemic.
- Donation income was in line with the preceding financial year.
- The band benefited significantly from Covid-19 support for business rate customers
- Income from online shopping fell to zero. **Band members are once again reminded that Easy Fundraising and Amazon Smile can generate income for the band at no cost to them, friends or family. Details can be found on the band website at: <http://www.rodehallband.org.uk/support-us/>**
- GiftAid and GASDS income was significantly lower than previous years due to very limited opportunities for cash collections.
- Subscriptions income was negative having refunded member contributions back to the cessation of rehearsals - before the start of this financial period.
- The band has not held any concerts of its own in the last financial year, consequently there has been no income from ticket sales.

Comments on expenditure

- No contests were entered resulting in any associated expenditure.
- The band has benefited this year from the change of our insurance provider in the previous financial year.
- No instruments were purchased
- No repairs were necessary to instruments
- Member registration costs were limited to revalidation costs
- Band room utilities costs were limited to standing charges



End of year position

On the 5th April 2020, the band retained cash assets of **£31,374.02** comprised of the following:

- Cash Band Manager £100.00
- Cheshire Building Society £1.06
- Accounts Receivable £0.00
- Instant Access Savings £15,404.63
- Lloyds Current Account £15,868.33

See Summary of Accounts on next page.

Independent Examination

An independent examination of the accounts was carried out on the 20th July 2021 by Caitlin Beardmore (FIAB), Caitlin Beardmore Ltd.

caitlin@caitlinbeardmore.co.uk

12/08/2021

Gmail - Thanks



Michael Whitehurst <michael.76whitehurst@gmail.com>

Thanks

Caitlin Beardmore <caitlinbeardmore@gmail.com>
To: Michael Whitehurst <treasurer@rodehallband.org.uk>

11 August 2021 at 21:20

Hello Michael

It was good to meet up again and examine your records albeit the recent circumstances had reduced the level of transactions.

That being said, I was impressed with the procedure implemented for claiming expenses which is more in line with HMRC legislation and contained all relevant detail.

I can also confirm that the further implementation of receipt/invoices which displayed full details of the claimant (name, address & contact details) is definitely a positive process under the same legislation.

I found the records to be carried out in a manner which would be in accordance with required processes and contained detail to a high standard of accounting and reporting

Regards

Caitlin Beardmore



Summary of Accounts

Receipts and Payments Summary For the Period of 06 April 2020 - 05 April 2021

Receipts	2019-2020		2020-2021	
Coach Collections/Whit Friday	£	525.00	£	-
Concert Fees	£	3,905.00	£	-
Contest Prizes	£	630.00	£	-
Donation	£	807.05	£	768.35
Online Shopping Income	£	65.69	£	-
Grants	£	2,950.00	£	21,370.43
HMRC Gift Aid	£	271.69	£	12.50
Interest	£	3.05	£	2.77
Public Collections	£	536.75	£	-
Raffles, Tombolas, Quizzes	£	265.60	£	-
Subscriptions	£	2,171.00	£	(189.20)
	£	12,130.83	£	21,964.85

Payments	2019-2020		2020-2021	
Awards and Gifts	£	152.27	£	25.00
Band Room Upkeep	£	195.20	£	54.00
Band Social Events	£	80.00	£	-
Beartown Conductor Expenses	£	35.00	£	-
Coaches	£	1,615.00	£	-
Committee Meeting Expenses	£	21.00	£	-
Concert Expenses	£	30.00	£	-
Conductor Expenses	£	1,490.00	£	210.00
Contest Expenses	£	3,015.92	£	-
Covid-19 Management	-	-	£	137.48
Deps	£	72.60	£	-
Donations	£	50.00	£	50.00
Electricity	£	215.00	£	228.00
Fundraising Expenses	£	40.00	£	-
Instrument & Band Equipment Purchase	£	1,743.34	£	-
Instrument Repair	£	140.00	£	-
Insurance	£	930.00	£	620.00
Music	£	219.14	£	-
Registrations & Memberships	£	550.54	£	97.50
Stationary	£	277.02	£	3.10
Uniform	£	589.94	£	-
Water	£	60.36	£	62.17
Web Site	£	43.06	£	59.85
	£	11,565.39	£	1,547.10

	2019-2020		2020-2021	
Opening Balance	£	10,390.83	£	10,956.27
Income	£	12,130.83	£	21,964.85
Expenditure	£	(11,565.39)	£	(1,547.10)
Closing Balance	£	10,956.27	£	31,374.02

Shown by:

Lloyds Current Account	£5,453.35	£	15,868.33
Lloyds Instant Access Savings Account	£5,401.86	£	15,404.63
Cash Account (Band Manager)	£100.00	£	100.00
Cheshire Building Society	£1.06	£	1.06

Total	£10,956.27	£	31,374.02
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Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Signatures

Victoria Sherwood (Chairperson)

Anna Whitehurst (Secretary)

Date: