



Trustee's Annual Report

2023 - 2024

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Rode Hall Silver Band Trustees Annual Report

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)

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

Summary of Objectives

The Band shall exist for the purpose of the promotion of, education in and appreciation of brass band music amongst persons of all ages. In furtherance of the primary charitable object, the Band shall exist to:

- Coordinate the skills and training of band members.
- Provide opportunities and facilities for the performance and appreciation of music.
- Promote musical direction.

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

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').

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.

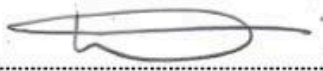
Independent examiner's statement

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: K I Mackintosh

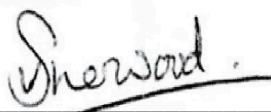
Date: 6 July 2024

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