

Cockermouth Mechanics Band (the “Band”)
Registered Charity No. 1190644

Trustees Report for the period from incorporation (30th July 2020) until 31st December 2021

The Band is a CIO registered with the Charity Commission with number 1190644. During the reporting period it has acquired all the undertaking assets and liabilities of a brass band previously constituted by an unincorporated trust which was, at that time (but is no longer), registered as a charity No. 506504.

Summary of the Band’s Purpose

The purpose set out in the Constitution of the Band is “to advance the education of the public in the art and science of music, in particular music presented by Brass Bands, by means of rehearsals and concerts and other musical activities which the public will have access to and by providing opportunities for people to learn to play a brass instrument.”

The Band is a Brass Band based in Cockermouth, Cumbria and it enables local brass instrument players to rehearse and perform together in the town, and its surrounding area including nearby towns and villages.

Summary of the Band’s Activities during the reporting period

During the reporting period the Band has spent much time and effort getting back to its pre – Covid level of activity.

It now operates a senior band, which rehearses twice a week; and a junior band known as the Apprentices for learners and less experienced players which rehearses once a week.

Both the senior band and the Apprentices perform formally and informally, and play at events organised by the local community as well as putting on concerts for the public to attend.

Statement as to Trustees’ having regard to Charity Commission Guidance

The Trustees make every effort to follow all relevant Charity Commission Guidance, including as to public benefit.

Achievements

We have succeeded in returning to our pre Covid level of activity, visibility and contribution to the local community. During the reporting period we have (as noted above) returned to regular rehearsals, re started the Apprentice Band for beginners and less experienced players and performed at all sorts of community events.

Our performances have included playing at memorial events, at the armistice parade, at various events in the Town such as the Christmas Lights switch on, Carols in the Town Centre, Christmas concerts for local old peoples’ homes, at various agricultural shows during the summer, at local public celebrations

of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and the proclamation of our new Sovereign, for the local British Legion and so on.

Through these various activities we are known to be part of the local community, we are highly visible and we are achieving the purposes for which we are established.

Financial Review

During the reporting period the cash balances held by the trust referred to above were transferred to the Band.

These include financial reserves which enabled the Band to continue (although at a reduced level of income generating activity) without the need for additional support throughout the Covid period to the extent permitted by applicable law and regulation. This included the need to hire larger, more expensive premises than we had used hitherto, the need to maintain and in some cases overhaul the band's instruments, the need to continue insurance and memberships of relevant organisations and an increased level of other ongoing operating costs such as extra cleaning etc.

We currently maintain reserves at a level which we are currently reviewing against the need to renew uniforms, acquire some new ones, continue the hire of additional larger premises, undertake a rolling programme of instrument repair and maintenance, refresh our library of music and to be prepared for unforeseen contingencies.

In particular we consider it important that we have reserves sufficient to enable us to perform our purposes for the public benefit even if particular events will not generate income.

We continue to be solvent and able to meet our liabilities as and when they fall due.

Governance

As noted above, the Band is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, with a constitution which follows closely the Charity Commission's recommended form.

Initially, our Trustees were the same three as were Trustees of the band which transferred its assets and undertaking to the CIO; but as soon as practical a larger group was appointed by them in accordance with the constitutional document.

All of those Trustees resigned, as required by the constitution, at the AGM held on 27th October 2022; seven were re elected by the members of the Band and three additional Trustees were also elected at that meeting so that there are now ten Trustees, who are listed as required on the Charity Commission's register.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Cockernouth Mechanics Band
Other name the charity uses	None
Registered charity number	1190644
Charity's principal address	Packhorse Cottage, Low Lorton, Cumbria CA13 9UW

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Notes
1	Andrew Skillen		From 06.05.2021	Retired and re elected 27.10.2022
2	Jane Hunter	Chair	From 30.07.2020	Retired and re elected 27.10.2022
3	John Wilson	Secretary	From 06.04.2021 to 27.10.2022	
4	Eleanor Moore		From 06.04.2021	Retired and re elected 27.10.2022
5	Myles Hamilton		From 30.07.2020 to 27.10.2022	
6	Bill Smith		From 06.05.2021	Retired and re elected 27.10.2022
7	Jeremy Clarkson		From 06.05.2021	Retired and re elected 27.10.2022
8	Peter MacGibbon		From 06.05.2021	Retired and re elected 27.10.2022
9	Clive Barnard		From 30.07.2020	Retired and re elected 27.10.2022
10	Ian Wildgoose		From 03.03.2022 to 08.09.2022	Retired on appointment as Musical Director
11	Luke Jones		From 27.10.2022	
12	Joe Mansfield		From 27.10.2022	
13	Rebecca Goodwin		From 27.10.2022	

None of the Trustees hold property on behalf of the Band; none of the Trustees hold funds as custodian for others

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		07/11/2022
Full name(s)	Clive Barnard	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	

01.11.2022

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1190644

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD 30 JULY 2020 TO
31 DECEMBER 2021
FOR
COCKERMOUTH MECHANICS BAND**

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COCKERMOUTH MECHANICS BAND

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FOR THE PERIOD 30 JULY 2020 TO 31 DECEMBER 2021**

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COCKERMOUTH MECHANICS BAND

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE PERIOD 30 JULY 2020 TO 31 DECEMBER 2021

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the period 30 July 2020 to 31 December 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1190644

Principal address

Green Close Farm
Little Broughton
Cockermouth
Cumbria
CA13 0YG

Trustees

A R Skillen	- appointed 6.5.21
J E Hunter Chair	- appointed 30.7.20
J Wilson	- appointed 6.4.21
E Moore	- appointed 6.4.21
M A Hamilton	- appointed 30.7.20
W J Smith	- appointed 6.5.21
C J Clarkson	- appointed 6.5.21
P MacGibbon	- appointed 6.5.21
C D Barnard	- appointed 30.7.20

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

La Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 7 October 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

J E Hunter Chair - Trustee

COCKERMOUTH MECHANICS BAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE PERIOD 30 JULY 2020 TO 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Incoming resources from generated funds		
Voluntary income		22,049
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Costs of generating funds		
Costs of generating voluntary income	2	2,149
Governance costs		360
Other resources expended		680
Total resources expended		3,189
NET INCOMING RESOURCES		18,860
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		18,860

The notes form part of these financial statements

COCKERMOUTH MECHANICS BAND

**BALANCE SHEET
AT 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £
FIXED ASSETS		
Tangible assets	4	6,633
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash at bank		12,588
CREDITORS		
Amounts falling due within one year	5	(361)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>12,227</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		18,860
NET ASSETS		<u>18,860</u>
FUNDS	6	
Unrestricted funds		<u>18,860</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>18,860</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 7 October 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:

J E Hunter Chair-Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

COCKERMOUTH MECHANICS BAND
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD 30 JULY 2020 TO 31 DECEMBER 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

2. COSTS OF GENERATING VOLUNTARY INCOME

	£
Support costs	2,149
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3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the period ended 31 December 2021.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the period ended 31 December 2021.

COCKERMOUTH MECHANICS BAND

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE PERIOD 30 JULY 2020 TO 31 DECEMBER 2021**

4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings £	Totals £
COST			
Additions	6,561	187	6,748
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DEPRECIATION			
Charge for year	109	6	115
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NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 December 2021	6,452	181	6,633
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5. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	£
Trade creditors	1
Other creditors	360
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	361
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6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.21 £
Unrestricted funds		
General fund	18,860	18,860
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TOTAL FUNDS	18,860	18,860
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Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	22,049	(3,189)	18,860
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TOTAL FUNDS	22,049	(3,189)	18,860
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COCKERMOUTH MECHANICS BAND

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE PERIOD 30 JULY 2020 TO 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	£
INCOMING RESOURCES	
Voluntary income	
Donations and Sponsorships	924
Concerts and ticket sales	790
Funds transfer	13,587
Donated services and facilities	6,748
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	22,049
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Total incoming resources	22,049
 RESOURCES EXPENDED	
Governance costs	
Accountancy	360
 Other resources expended	
Rent	680
 Support costs	
Management	
Advertising	49
Buffet	1,671
Instruments and repairs	37
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	1,757
 Finance	
Bank charges	8
Plant and machinery	109
Fixtures and fittings	6
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	123
 Other	
Conductors' fees	200
Telephone	9
Postage and stationery	11
Sundries	49
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	269
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Total resources expended	3,189
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Net income	<u><u>18,860</u></u>

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