

**Summary of the Main Achievements of the Charity, identifying the difference the Charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society.**

High Holborn Chamber Choir (HHCC) has gone from strength to strength in 2024 under our Music Director Emma Warren. The choir membership has remained c 25 members and the choir has had a consistent list of joining enquiries through the website and social media posts each term.

The choir performed our spring concert "Sing Joyfully" at the Swiss Church which included Rejoice in the Lamb, Britten and a Bach Cantata, both accompanied by James Orford on organ. In June, our "As Torrents in Summer" performance included a variety of shorter pieces and consort works with the choir enjoying the great acoustics of St Georges Church, Bloomsbury. We had a busy December with two carol singing events at 70 SMA Building and in St Giles Square outside Google. Both were fun and allowed the choir to perform Christmas music more than once. Lastly, Emma programmed some classy repertoire for our Christmas carol concert at the Swiss Church and with some great marketing, we sold out all of the available tickets.

The choir was also invited to sing a Carol Concert for the Forward Trust Charity. Unfortunately, this event was cancelled but the committee hope to work towards a carol concert for them in 2025.

The choir also has a strong relationship with the Swiss Church (SC) and regularly sings at church services each term during the year.

A big change for HHCC at the end of the year was a review of the rehearsal arrangements at the SC. The choir will now rehearse on a Monday evening instead of a Thursday having agreed with the SC to continue collaborating, the choir will formalise our arrangement in January 2025.

During the year, our Chair and committee reviewed the administration of the choir with the following updates:

- The Treasurer made a change to the Financial Year reporting to align with our choir terms from 1st September to 31<sup>st</sup> August.
- The choir took out Public Liability, Trustee Liability and Employer Liability Insurance.
- The committee has documented "committee roles" to facilitate and succession planning and committee member recruitment.
- Choir term/event planning aims to be two terms ahead to provide members more clarity on dates, future repertoire and more diversity in choir event.
- A Choir survey was completed over the summer months to provide feedback for the committee and music director for future planning purposes.

During the year various members took sabbaticals with several members leaving and new members joining. The choir is looking to expand slightly to 30-32 members with auditions planned in January.

Committee changes will include Helen who is stepping down as Librarian and our Chair, Jonny who is stepping down from the AGM. We welcomed Katie to the committee during the year and we are in the process of recruiting new committee members and appointing a new Chair.

**High Holborn Chamber Choir**  
**Payments and Receipts**  
**1 Sep 2023 - 3 Sept 2024**

**Receipts (£)**

SUM of Receipt Category	Term						Grand Total
	23/24:0 Prior	23/24:1 Autumn	23/24:1 Spring	23/24:2 January	23/24:3 Spring	23/24:4 Year	
Concert Receipts	200.00	1072.00	479.00	932.00	317.00		3000.00
Donation				500.00	200.00		700.00
Subscription		2425.00	1501.86	2460.00	2200.00	0.00	8586.86
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>200.00</b>	<b>3497.00</b>	<b>1980.86</b>	<b>3892.00</b>	<b>2717.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>12286.86</b>

**Expenses (£)**

SUM of Payment Category	Term						Grand Total
	23/24:0 Prior	23/24:1 Autumn	23/24:1 Spring	23/24:2 January	23/24:3 Spring	23/24:4 Year	
Concert Expense	125.00	647.10	225.00	826.57	610.00		2433.67
Misc Expense						164.61	164.61
Music Director Fees	500.00	1560.00	2040.00	1820.00	1430.00		7350.00
Music Expenses		99.23	156.00	382.47	67.27		704.97
Rehearsal Venue Hire		917.50	1204.50	279.00	308.00		2709.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>625.00</b>	<b>3223.83</b>	<b>3625.50</b>	<b>3308.04</b>	<b>2415.27</b>	<b>164.61</b>	<b>13362.25</b>

<b>Overall Totals</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>(425.00)</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>273.17</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>(1,644.64)</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>583.96</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>301.73</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>(164.61)</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>(1,075.39)</b>
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Opening Bank Balance: 3113.62  
Closing Bank Balance: 2038.23  
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