



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 September 2023 To 31 August 2024

Charity name: Côr Y Gleision / Cardiff Blues Choir

Charity registration number: 1192490

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The choir's objectives are to: • advance, improve, develop and maintain public education in, and appreciation of, the art and science of music in all its aspects by any means the Trustees see fit, including through the presentation of public concerts and recitals; and • further such charitable purpose or purposes as the Trustees in their absolute discretion shall think fit but in particular through the making of grants and donations
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The choir: • helps choristers to study, practice and perform traditional and modern songs and other four-part mixed choral works, thus improving their singing and performing abilities; • promotes communal singing at rugby matches and events where all individuals in the local community have the potential to benefit; • promotes the Welsh language by performing primarily in both Welsh and English in a variety of settings; • hosts concerts and events which are open to the local community; • as a registered charity we raise money to fund our own activities and raise money for other local and National charities
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity	Para 1.18	In setting the objectives and planning activities, the Trustees give careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit.

Commission on public benefit		Examples of how the charity conforms to the public benefit requirement of the Charity commission are listed above. All charity commission communications are shared through the committee.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	NA
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	No Social Investment has been made since the pandemic. This area will be revisited once the choir is back to full strength.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The charity trustees are responsible for the management of the charity and give their time freely and receive no remuneration or other benefits. Trustees meet monthly and are responsible for all decisions taken in relation to running and managing the charity. Decisions are made through simple majority voting. Minutes are recorded of all the proceedings at all meetings. The trustees are compliant with the charity constitution. The charity adheres to GDPR regulations and has a designated GDPR officer who is independent of the committee.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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 as a whole.	Para 1.20	Côr y Gleision carries out numerous activities in pursuance of its charitable objectives. Such activities benefit members of the choir, the public and the wider community. Membership numbers remained at over 100, with rehearsal attendance consistently above 70 each week. This year we performed the premier of work commissioned by the choir to celebrate the end of lockdown and a return to normality, Gloria, at annual Christmas concert at St David's Metropolitan Cathedral in Cardiff.

		In August 2024, the choir competed at the National Eisteddfod in Pontypridd, winning 3rd position against some esteemed choirs. The standard and reputation of the choir continued to improve under the highly talented and dedicated guidance of the Musical Director and Assistant Conductor/Accompanist.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	During the financial year 2023/2024 we fundraised for a Choir funds, raising £2,359. £1,185 has been designated to assist with costs for future choir tours. During the financial year, the choir received a generous donation of £5,000 from the Tudor Pritchard Charitable Foundation to assist with the choir's activities. Throughout the year the choir raised and donated £641 for local and National charities.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The Financial Statement is attached
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The Reserves policy is to hold at least six month's general expenditure in hand in the Choir's Bank Accounts
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£13,436
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	NA
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	NA
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	NA

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The majority of the choir's income is from membership fees and gift aid, however, donations and fundraising activities also raised money for choir funds. The income covered the cost of rehearsals, purchasing music and allowed the choir to perform numerous activities to achieve its key objectives, as well as to fund workshops to enhance choir development and performance.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	NA
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	NA
Other		NA

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The charity is registered as a CIO and is governed by the constitution.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	The choir is managed by an elected Committee of Trustees
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are elected or re-elected annually at the Annual General Meeting held in September/October. Nominations are made and seconded by members, and a secret ballot is held for each office.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Trustees are signposted to charity commission site and are asked to read/sign any required documentation.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	We engage with Making Music who provide online tools and resources to support the Choir. We have sought independent advice in order to implement GDPR regulations and have appointed an independent GDPR officer. We continue to liaise with both Cardiff Rugby and the Welsh Rugby Union regarding rugby related Choir performances.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	The charity has links with the local community and other local choirs through competitions or joint events. We collaborate from time to time with other choirs, including Bechgyn Bro Taf, CF1 and Plastaf.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Côr y Gleision / Cardiff Blues Choir
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1192490

Charity's principal address	46 Pant Glas, Cardif, CF23 7EU

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Alexandra Wakefield	Chairperson		
2	Andrew Thomas	Vice Chairperson		
3	Wynford Williams	Secretary		
4	Gwenno Williams	Treasurer		
5	Kathryn Llewellyn			
6	Barbara Holt			
7	Gareth Davies			
8	John Davies			
9	Rhian Hughes		From 17 February 2025	
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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	A Wakefield	Gwenno
Full name(s)	ALEXANDRA WAKEFIELD	GWENNO WILLIAMS
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	TREASURER
Date	26-6-2025	



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Côr y Gleision/Cardiff Blues Choir

1192490

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/09/2023	To	31/08/2024
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Membership	13,094		-	13,094	10,535
Gift Aid	5,559		-	5,559	-
Uniform	456		-	456	768
Concerts/Performances	10,634		-	10,634	7,151
Social events	1,162		-	1,162	993
Fundraising	2,966	-	-	2,966	2,218
Choir tour	1,077		-	1,077	25,257
Donations	5,050		-	5,050	421
Interest	208		-	208	109
Competitions prize monies	625		-	625	250
Competitions travel & accommodation receipts from members	270			270	10,587
Grants			-	-	1,125
Other income	672		-	672	861
			-	-	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	41,774	-	-	41,774	60,275
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	41,774	-	-	41,774	60,275

A3 Payments

Musical director/accompanist fees	10,820	-	-	10,820	8,019
Room hire	2,571	-	-	2,571	2,560
Purchase of music	835	-	-	835	178
Comission fees	-	-	-	-	2,000
Insurance and subscriptions	543	-	-	543	532
Uniform	637	-	-	637	454
Website	283	-	-	283	214
Concert/performances	13,098	750	-	13,848	9,468
Competition entry fee	736	-	-	736	300
Social events	1,122	-	-	1,122	942
Fundraising costs	607	-	-	607	182
Donations to charity	641	-	-	641	-
Choir tour	1,478	-	-	1,478	26,820
Bank fee	60	-	-	60	60
Travel & accomodation	750	-	-	750	12,460
Other costs	646	-	-	646	820
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	34,826	750	-	35,576	65,009

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)

	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments	34,826	750	-	35,576	65,009
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Net of receipts/(payments)	6,948	- 750	-	6,198	- 4,734
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	6,589	750	-	7,339	12,072
Cash funds this year end	13,536	-	-	13,536	7,339

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CAF Cash Account	1,536	-	-
	CAF Gold Account	12,000	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	13,536	-	-
		OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Debtors	1,140	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
Creditors	Unrestricted	1,660	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
<i>A Wakefield</i>	A. WAKEFIELD	28.10.24
<i>G. Williams</i>	G. WILLIAMS	28.10.24



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Cor Y Gleision / Cardiff Blues Choir

On accounts for the year
ended

31 August 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1192490

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 08 / 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 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. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

G. T. Earles

Date:

28/10/24

Name:

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Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

