

Easingwold Town Band CIO (Charity No 1194820)

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ending July 31st 2025

Structure, Governance & Management

The Band's president Mrs Kay Riley stepped down at the AGM on 11 November 2024. The Band will seek to appoint a successor to the honorary position of President in due course.

As of July 31st 2024 the Band Trustees were as follows:- playing members William Cleghorn (Chair), Geoffrey Nield and Amanda Prosser; and independent trustees Rev. Charlotte Cranfield, Lorna Savage and Helen Sykes.

The Executive Committee of the Band consisted of Geoffrey Nield (chair & treasurer), Duncan Law (vice-chair), William Cleghorn, Rev David Senior (Secretary) and seven other Band members. Their responsibilities covered Musical Direction, Safeguarding, Health & Safety, Engagement Bookings, Instruments, Music Library, Recruitment & Training. Mr Nield has indicated that he wishes to step down as treasurer at the 2025 AGM: a successor is in prospect.

Administration

The Trustees met four times during the year to review the work of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee met nine times during the year.

The Band's policies and procedures were regularly reviewed. The Executive Committee received no reports of incidents, or expressions of concern, in relation to Health & Safety or Safeguarding issues. Annual safety checks were carried out on all the portable electrical equipment. The gas heater received an annual service; the fire extinguisher was checked and serviced. Fire evacuation drills were held. Insurance cover was maintained on the Band's building, instruments and other property; for public liability and for Band members' and Trustees' indemnity.

Finance

At the Annual General Meeting on 3 November 2025, the Treasurer's financial statement and independent examiner's report for the year 1 August 2024 – 31 July 2025 were received and approved by the meeting. The accounts showed a surplus for the year of £473.38 (total income £9262.31, total expenditure £8788.93). The Band's assets, listed as £76,670.76, included a CAF Bank Gold Savings account figure of £26174.93.

Musical Director

Peter Woodrow has been the Band's musical director since July 2024.

Musical activities

During the year the Band held 47 rehearsals, giving 3 formal concerts and playing at 6 local musical events, a remembrance service in November and carols at 3 pre-Christmas events. A small group from the Band visited 3 local primary schools, from which the Beginners' Group gained new recruits. No contests were entered.

Training activity increased during the year, with 14 learners in the Development Band and 6 in the Beginners' Group, as of 31 July. 35 rehearsals were held, tutored by Kyle Sherwin.

Other activities

Two mother/carer-and-baby groups hired the bandroom on 33 Wednesday mornings during the year.

Looking Ahead

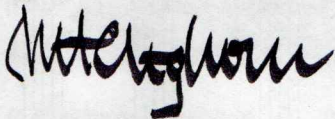
In addition to a focus on filling vacant seats, our musical director is working to raise our playing standard, with the ambition of contesting as soon as we can field a full-strength band without need of guest players.

With an eye on its medium and long term future, the Band will continue to develop its training and recruitment activities.

With planning approval for a new bandroom on its present site, a group of Band members is working with our architects on reducing construction

costs with a simplified design. North Yorkshire Council's planning department has indicated informally that our proposed changes should not compromise our current approval: we await their formal confirmation before we start fundraising. The Band has purchased a narrow strip of ground on the east side of its freehold property, at a token price, from Broadacres Housing Association. We have also applied for adverse possession of a narrow strip of ground on the west side: we await the Land Registry's confirmation. These acquisitions will in due course facilitate construction without disturbance or hazard to the public. Funding for this preliminary work is being met by a donation. The Band will continue to husband its accumulated cash assets as potential match funding to support grant applications for its new bandroom project.

Signed:



Chair of Trustees

3 November 2025

Easingwold Town Band - Registered Charity Number 1194820

Income and Expenditure Aug 1st 2024 to July 31st 2025

INCOME	2024/2025	2023/2024
	£	£
Playing Fees/Collections	2761.15	3355.39
Donations	3630.59	1160.00
Membership Subscriptions	1570.00	1105.00
Bandroom Hire	711.50	855.00
Current Account Interest	12.53	13.16
CAF Bank Gold Savings Account Interest	576.54	598.39
Gift Aid	0.00	125.00
TOTAL	9262.31	7211.94
EXPENDITURE		
Stationery	20.50	0.00
Uniforms	0.00	384.22
Instruments and Repairs	279.00	262.80
Premises Expenses – Maintenance & Storage	922.82	245.42
Water and General Rates	211.74	289.15
Lighting and Heating	808.85	1113.19
Insurance	744.55	711.43
Bank Charges	66.00	66.00
Music	264.84	367.20
M.D. Tuition and Travelling Costs	2110.00	929.50
Concert Expenses (including Gazebo)	696.52	661.92
Band Registry/BBE Membership & Consultancy	409.10	215.45
Performing Rights	97.01	94.19
Training Band/Tutor Honorarium	1908.00	2403.70
Photography - Publicity	250.00	0.00
TOTAL	8788.93	7744.17
Income less Expenditure	473.38	-532.23

Signed

G. Nield

1/9/25

G.Nield (Treasurer)

I have examined the accounts and associated documents and believe that they represent a true and fair view of the Band's Accounts

Signed

V. McAvoy

22/9/25

V.McAvoy (Auditor)

Balance Statement Year Ending 31st July 2025

	2024/2025		2023/2024	
Fixed Assets	£	£	£	£
Instruments	32423.07		32160.27	
Additions	174.00	32597.07	262.80	32423.07
Music	6611.61		6244.41	
Additions	264.84	6876.45	367.20	6111.61
Uniforms/Banners	4131.66		3747.44	
Additions	0.00	4131.66	384.22	4131.66
Equipment (Gas Heater)	1451.02	<u>1451.02</u>	1451.02	<u>1451.02</u>
		<u>45056.20</u>		<u>44617.36</u>
Current Assets				
Cash	0.00		0.00	
CAF Bank Current A/C	5439.53		5542.69	
CAF Bank Gold A/C	26174.93	<u>31614.46</u>	25598.39	<u>31141.08</u>
Total Assets		<u>76670.66</u>		<u>75758.44</u>
Represented by				
Reserves brought forward	75758.44		75276.45	
Additions during year	<u>438.84</u>		<u>1014.22</u>	
	76197.28		76290.67	
Income less Expenditure	<u>473.38</u>		<u>- 532.23</u>	
Reserves Carried Forward	<u>76670.66</u>		<u>75758.44</u>	

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