

HURST PLAYERS CIO

England & Wales · Charity number 1197556

Details

Other names	HURST PLAYERS
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2022-01-18
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Players Theatre 147 High Street Hurstpierpoint Hassocks BN6 9PU
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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE:PROMOTE THE ADVANCEMENT AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PUBLIC'S KNOWLEDGE AND APPRECIATION OF ALL ASPECTS OF THE PERFORMING ARTS ESPECIALLY BUT NOT LIMITED TO LIVEDRAMA, BY PUTTING ON EVENTS IN THE CIO'S OWN THEATRE OR ELSEWHERE AND MADE AVAILABLE AT A LOW AND ACCESSIBLE PRICE TO ANYONE WHETHER A MEMBER OF THE CIO OR OTHERWISE.

Activities: Promote the advancement and improvement of the public's knowledge and appreciation of all aspects of the performing arts especially but not limited to live drama, by putting on events in the CIO's own theatre or elsewhere and made available at a low and accessible price to anyone whether a member of the CIO or otherwise.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- West Sussex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-30	£36,506	£41,346	-	-
2024-04-30	£37,068	£33,991	-	-
2023-04-30	£34,928	£36,781	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Anne Teasdale HOPPER	Chair	2021-08-09
Dr Samuel James HILE		2021-08-09
Joanna Marjorie KEARNS		2021-08-09
Mel Croft		2025-05-01
Philip Charles Balding		2023-08-02
RICHARD DENNIS CONEY		2021-08-09
ROBERT ISAAC SAMPSON		2021-08-09
Tom Kent		2025-05-01

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- Provide facilities to other groups and individuals for arts-related events and activities including the presentation of public performances;
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Sep 2024	The Father
Dec 2024	Robinson Crusoe
Mar 2025	Witness for the Prosecution

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Reserves of unrestricted funds held at 30th April 2025 amounted to £121,412. This will enable the charity to continue the work of upgrading the theatre and safeguard its future.

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The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those relating to the operations and finances of the Society, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate our exposure to the major risk.

REFERENCE AND ADMINSTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

272635

Principle address

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Trustees

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R Coney
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J Kearns
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A Hopper - Trustee

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for the year ended 30 April 2025

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(Date)

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Statement of financial activities
For the year ended 30 April 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	2025 £	2024 £
Income					
Productions		21,268	-	21,268	20,292
Subscriptions		468	-	468	1,696
Fundraising		210	-	210	422
Donations		170	-	170	82
Charges for use of theatre		3,030	-	3,030	4,523
Bar Income		8,336	-	8,336	8,924
Other		2,050	-	2,050	406
Bank interest		974	-	974	723
TOTAL REVENUE		36,506	-	36,506	37,068
DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE					
Production costs		13,844	-	13,844	4,918
Bar expenses		3,707	-	3,707	3,905
Advertising		2,199	-	2,199	1,361
Fundraising		60	-	60	115
Insurance		3,573	-	3,573	3,347
Management & Admin		264	-	264	4,045
Telephone		639	-	639	633
R&R		6,360	-	6,360	3,543
Bad Debt		-	-	-	-
Other		2,594	-	2,594	1,544
Legal & Professional		-	-	-	-
Accountancy		1,201	-	1,201	1,320
L&H		2,872	-	2,872	3,755
Rates		335	-	335	536
Bank Charges		-	-	-	38
Depreciation		3,698	-	3,698	4,931
		41,346	-	41,346	33,991
SURPLUS/(LOSS) FOR THE YEAR		(4,840)	-	(4,840)	3,077

The Hurstpierpoint Players
Statement of assets and liabilities
Year ended 30 April 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	2025	2024
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	3	72,254	-	72,254	75,952
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	5	866	-	866	948
Bank account	8	13,523	-	13,523	4,472
Deposit account		35,912	-	35,912	47,402
Petty cash		57	-	57	57
		<u>50,358</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,358</u>	<u>52,879</u>
GROSS ASSETS		122,612	-	122,612	128,831
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Accruals	5	(1,200)	-	(1,200)	(2,579)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>£ 121,412</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 121,412</u>	<u>£ 126,252</u>
GENERAL FUND					
Brought forward		126,252	-	126,252	123,175
Surplus for the year		<u>(4,840)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,840)</u>	<u>3,077</u>
		<u>£ 121,412</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 121,412</u>	<u>£ 126,252</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements
Year ended 30 April 2025

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Income

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Expenditure

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Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost over their expected useful economic lives as follows:

Plant and machinery	25% on a reducing balance
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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 objectives 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.

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2 TRUSTEES'S REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 April 2025 nor for the year ended 30 April 2024

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 April 2025 nor for the year ended 30 April 2024.

3 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Freehold property	Plant and machinery	Total
		£	£	£
Cost at	01 May 2024	61,161	51,733	112,894
Additions		-	-	-
Disposals		-	-	-
Cost at	30 April 2025	<u>61,161</u>	<u>51,733</u>	<u>112,894</u>
Depn at	01 May 2024	-	36,942	36,942
Charge		-	3,698	3,698
Disposals		-	-	-
Depn at	30 April 2025	-	<u>40,640</u>	<u>40,640</u>
NBV at	30 April 2025	<u>61,161</u>	<u>11,093</u>	<u>72,254</u>
NBV at	30 April 2024	<u>61,161</u>	<u>14,791</u>	<u>75,952</u>

4 DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other debtors	330	465
Prepayments	536	483
	<u>866</u>	<u>948</u>

5 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other creditors	<u>1,200</u>	<u>2,579</u>

6 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 01/05/24	Net movement in funds	At 30/04/25
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	126,252	(4,840)	121,412
Total Funds	<u>126,252</u>	<u>(4,840)</u>	<u>121,412</u>

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6 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	36,506	(41,346)	(4,840)
Total Funds	<u>36,506</u>	<u>(41,346)</u>	<u>(4,840)</u>

7 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There we no related party transactions for the year ended 30 April 2025

8 BANK ACCOUNT

	2025 £	2024 £
Current Account - Charity	-	1,136
Current Account - CIO	13,523	3,336
	<u>13,523</u>	<u>4,472</u>

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	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	2024	2023
Note	£	£	£	£
Income				
Productions	20,292	-	20,292	14,893
Subscriptions	1,696	-	1,696	1,296
Fundraising	422	-	422	-
Donations	82	-	82	5,128
Charges for use of theatre	4,523	-	4,523	6,074
Bar Income	8,924	-	8,924	7,048
Other	406	-	406	180
Bank interest	723	-	723	309
TOTAL REVENUE	37,068	-	37,068	34,928
DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE				
Production costs	4,918	-	4,918	8,729
Bar expenses	3,905	-	3,905	3,939
Advertising	1,361	-	1,361	693
Fundraising	115	-	115	43
Insurance	3,347	-	3,347	3,120
Management & Admin	4,045	-	4,045	1,782
Telephone	633	-	633	642
R&R	3,543	-	3,543	7,583
Bad Debt	-	-	-	5,933
Other	1,544	-	1,544	508
Legal & Professional	-	-	-	30
Accountancy	1,320	-	1,320	-
L&H	3,755	-	3,755	2,825
Rates	536	-	536	459
Bank Charges	38	-	38	-
Depreciation	4,931	-	4,931	495
	33,991	-	33,991	36,781
SURPLUS/(LOSS) FOR THE YEAR	3,077	-	3,077	(1,853)

The Hurstpierpoint Players
Statement of assets and liabilities
Year ended 30 April 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	2024	2023
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	3	75,952	-	75,952	62,645
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	5	948	-	948	754
Bank account	8	4,472	-	4,472	6,298
Deposit account		47,402	-	47,402	54,679
Petty cash		57	-	57	58
		<u>52,879</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>52,879</u>	<u>61,789</u>
GROSS ASSETS		128,831	-	128,831	124,434
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Accruals	5	(2,579)	-	(2,579)	(1,259)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>£ 126,252</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 126,252</u>	<u>£ 123,175</u>
GENERAL FUND					
Brought forward		123,175	-	123,175	125,028
Surplus for the year		<u>3,077</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,077</u>	<u>(1,853)</u>
		<u>£ 126,252</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 126,252</u>	<u>£ 123,175</u>

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Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost over their expected useful economic lives as follows:

Plant and machinery	25% on a reducing balance
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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 objectives 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.

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2 TRUSTEES'S REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 April 2024 nor for the year ended 30 April 2023

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 April 2024 nor for the year ended 30 April 2023.

3 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Freehold property	Plant and machinery	Total
		£	£	£
Cost at	01 May 2023	61,161	33,495	94,656
Additions		-	18,238	18,238
Disposals		-	-	-
Cost at	30 April 2024	<u>61,161</u>	<u>51,733</u>	<u>112,894</u>
Depn at	01 May 2023	-	32,011	32,011
Charge		-	4,931	4,931
Disposals		-	-	-
Depn at	30 April 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>36,942</u>	<u>36,942</u>
NBV at	30 April 2024	<u>61,161</u>	<u>14,791</u>	<u>75,952</u>
NBV at	30 April 2023	<u>61,161</u>	<u>1,484</u>	<u>62,645</u>

4 DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other debtors	465	288
Prepayments	483	466
	<u>948</u>	<u>754</u>

5 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other creditors	<u>2,579</u>	<u>1,259</u>

6 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 01/05/23	Net movement in funds	At 30/04/24
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	123,175	3,077	126,252
Total Funds	<u>123,175</u>	<u>3,077</u>	<u>126,252</u>

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6 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	37,068	(33,991)	3,077
Total Funds	<u>37,068</u>	<u>(33,991)</u>	<u>3,077</u>

7 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There we no related party transactions for the year ended 30 April 2024

8 BANK ACCOUNT

	2024	2023
	£	£
Current Account - Charity	1,136	6,298
Current Account - CIO	3,336	-
	<u>4,472</u>	<u>6,298</u>

HURST PLAYERS CIO

England & Wales - Charity number 1197556

Accounts

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023
FOR
THE HURSTPIERPOINT PLAYERS

Chariot House Limited
Chartered Accountants
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THE HURSTPIERPOINT PLAYERS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 April 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The Hurstpierpoint Players (hereinafter referred to as "the Society") was established to promote the advancement and improvement of general education in relation to all aspects of the art of drama and the development of public appreciation of such art.

The charity's property, the theatre premises at 147 High Street, Hurstpierpoint, West Sussex (known as The Players Theatre), is available for use by members of the Society and other groups and individuals in furtherance of the objects of the charity.

To achieve the objects of the charity, the Society:

- Presents as many and as broad a range of dramatic productions to the public as possible, and offers opportunities to and encourages its members to actively participate in the various aspects of the dramatic productions;
- Organises a variety of other events and activities for the education and entertainment of its members and the public;
- Provides facilities to other groups and individuals for arts-related events and activities including the presentation of public performances;
- Aims to maintain and improve the charity's theatre premises and other capital assets in order to provide the best possible facilities for all users and members of the public.

Public benefit

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and have paid due regard to it in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

The trustees consider that the charity has continued to meet the public benefit requirement in the advancement of the arts and in particular providing opportunities in amateur dramatics for both participants and audiences. This fits within charitable purposes given in the Charities Act 2006 and the trustees consider that there are no undue restrictions on who may benefit from the charity's activities.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023**

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Regarding The CIO. All the paperwork including Bank accounts, preparation of application to the Land registry to transfer the assets to the new CIO have been completed. We are now awaiting clearance of an order from the Charities Commission to allow the transfer of assets of the Players to the CIO. We then need the Land registry to comply. Which we hope will be completed by the end of the next financial year. This will allow us to disband the current Charity.

Dramatic Productions

In the financial year to 30th April 2023, the society produced three productions.

July 2022 Talking Heads

Sept 2022 Thrill of Love Sept

March 2023 Treasure Island

Other Events and Activities.

The social group presented a very successful quiz at the Bowls club hosted by Belinda Sharp.

There was also a highly entertaining evening of Room 101.

Other groups and Individuals

The village film society was able to restart for their winter programme.

Unfortunately the youth group Centre Stage was unable to reform. However Sam Nixon agreed to take over but has had to rebuild from scratch.

April saw the Young Actors group hire the theatre for two successful performances.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

The attached financial statements show the state of the finances as at 30th April 2023 which the trustees consider to be sound.

The trustees consider that the accounts comply with current statutory requirements, the requirements of the governing body and the requirements of the charity SORP.

Throughout the year a small number of members of the Society have voluntarily given of their time and expertise particularly in relation to the repair and maintenance of the theatre premises and in connection with ensuring compliance with the licensing and other legislation. The value of this voluntary assistance is unquantifiable but the charity heavily reliant upon this in order to pursue it's work.

THE HURSTPIERPOINT PLAYERS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023**

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

By their very nature, many of the charity's sources of income are neither regular nor secure, e.g. income from productions, charges made for use of the theatre, donations and fund raising events. For this reason, the normal policy of the Trustees is to maintain reserves of unrestricted funds of approximately one quarter of the charity's annual expenditure (excluding expenditure on productions) in order to ensure that funds are available to meet the costs of provision/maintenance of the theatre premises, scenery and equipment, management and administration costs, and any costs of an exceptional nature which may arise from time to time.

For the past few years, the policy of the Trustees has been to increase the reserves of unrestricted funds to a level, which would enable the charity to undertake further improvements to the premises and of course to carry out the refurbishment project which has now been completed.

Reserves of unrestricted funds held at 30th April 2023 amounted to £123,175. This will enable the charity to continue the work of up-grading the theatre and safeguard its future.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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

The existing trustees propose to change the charity to a CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION (CIO). This will enable the charity to move forward. The governing document (constitution) has been rewritten to reflect the change and will be put to the membership at the AGM.

Organisational structure

The charity is administered by the Trustees who meet monthly. All final decisions relating to the activities of the charity are taken by the Trustees who appoint members of the Society to undertake the day-to-day planning, organising and managing of activities such as the presentation of dramatic productions, the maintenance and improvement of the theatre premises, fundraising, social and other events, publicity and promotions. etc

Risk management

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those relating to the operations and finances of the Society, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate our exposure to the major risks.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

272635

Principal address

15 Fairfield Crescent
Hurstpierpoint
Hassocks
BN6 9SF

Trustees

S J Hile
M Somers
S P Wicks
R Coney
R Sampson
A Hopper
J Kearns (appointed 31/7/2022)

THE HURSTPIERPOINT PLAYERS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent Examiner

Dr Shona F Wardrop C.A

Chariot House Limited

Chartered Accountants

44 Grand Parade

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East Sussex

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 25 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

A Hopper - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE HURSTPIERPOINT PLAYERS**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Hurstpierpoint Players

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Hurstpierpoint Players (the Trust) for the year ended 30 April 2023.

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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 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; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Dr Shona F Wardrop C.A

Chariot House Limited
Chartered Accountants
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25 March 2024

THE HURSTPIERPOINT PLAYERS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		5,128	-	5,128	-
Other trading activities	2	29,491	-	29,491	14,161
Investment income	3	309	-	309	9
Total		<u>34,928</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,928</u>	<u>14,170</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Charitable Activities		<u>36,781</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,781</u>	<u>28,817</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(1,853)	-	(1,853)	(14,647)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		125,028	-	125,028	139,675
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>123,175</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>123,175</u></u>	<u><u>125,028</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE HURSTPIERPOINT PLAYERS

BALANCE SHEET

30 APRIL 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6	62,645	-	62,645	63,140
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	7	754	-	754	7,053
Cash at bank and in hand		61,035	-	61,035	62,066
		<u>61,789</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>61,789</u>	<u>69,119</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(1,259)	-	(1,259)	(7,231)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>60,530</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>60,530</u>	<u>61,888</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>123,175</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>123,175</u>	<u>125,028</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>123,175</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>123,175</u>	<u>125,028</u>
FUNDS	9				
Unrestricted funds				<u>123,175</u>	<u>125,028</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>123,175</u>	<u>125,028</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 25 March 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

A Hopper - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE HURSTPIERPOINT PLAYERS

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. 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.

Plant and machinery - 25% and 50% on cost

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.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Fundraising events	-	270
Other income	180	-
Subscriptions	1,296	1,527
Productions	14,893	7,888
Charges for use of theatre	6,074	1,820
Bar Income	7,048	2,656
	<u>29,491</u>	<u>14,161</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Deposit account interest	309	9
	<u>309</u>	<u>9</u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 April 2023 nor for the year ended 30 April 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 April 2023 nor for the year ended 30 April 2022.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Other trading activities	14,161	-	14,161
Investment income	9	-	9
	<u>14,170</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,170</u>
Total	<u>14,170</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,170</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable Activities	28,817	-	28,817
	<u>28,817</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,817</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(14,647)	-	(14,647)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	139,675	-	139,675
	<u>139,675</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>139,675</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>125,028</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>125,028</u>

THE HURSTPIERPOINT PLAYERS**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023****6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Freehold property £	Plant and machinery £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 May 2022 and 30 April 2023	61,161	33,495	94,656
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 May 2022	-	31,516	31,516
Charge for year	-	495	495
At 30 April 2023	-	32,011	32,011
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 30 April 2023	61,161	1,484	62,645
At 30 April 2022	61,161	1,979	63,140

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Other debtors	288	6,617
Prepayments	466	436
	754	7,053

8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Other creditors	1,259	7,231

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/5/22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30/4/23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	125,028	(1,853)	123,175
TOTAL FUNDS	125,028	(1,853)	123,175

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	34,928	(36,781)	(1,853)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>34,928</u>	<u>(36,781)</u>	<u>(1,853)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/5/21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30/4/22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	139,675	(14,647)	125,028
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>139,675</u>	<u>(14,647)</u>	<u>125,028</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	14,170	(28,817)	(14,647)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>14,170</u>	<u>(28,817)</u>	<u>(14,647)</u>

10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 April 2023.

THE HURSTPIERPOINT PLAYERS**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023**

	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	5,128	-
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	-	270
Other income	180	-
Subscriptions	1,296	1,527
Productions	14,893	7,888
Charges for use of theatre	6,074	1,820
Bar Income	7,048	2,656
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	29,491	14,161
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	309	9
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Total incoming resources	34,928	14,170
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Rates and water	459	745
Insurance	3,120	2,908
Light and heat	2,825	14
Telephone	642	717
Advertising	693	943
Sundries	508	516
Fundraising costs	43	-
Production expenses	8,729	10,010
Management and Administration	1,782	627
Bar Expenses	3,939	1,234
Debt write off	5,933	-
Depreciation	495	660
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	29,168	18,374
Support costs		
Information technology		
Repairs and renewals	7,583	9,213
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	30	1,230
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Total resources expended	36,781	28,817
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Net expenditure	<u>(1,853)</u>	<u>(14,647)</u>

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