

QUIRE VOICES

Musical Director Sean Bui

ANNUAL REPORT 1 April 2023 – 31 March 2024

Quire Voices (hereafter known as “the Society”) is a registered charity, no. 1200268.

It is not a registered company. It can be contacted at admin@quirevoices.org.uk and information about it can be obtained from its website at www.quirevoices.org.uk.

The Society’s objectives are set out in its governing document, known as the “Constitution”. This states that:

“The objects of the Society shall be: 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.”

The following were the Society’s Trustees for part or all of the period 1 April 2023 – 31 March 2024:

Chairman	Kirsty Bui
Hon. Secretary	Louise Roberts
Hon. Treasurer	Katrina Gray
Publicity, Marketing, and Design Officer	Emily Carmichael
Membership Secretary	James Goddard
Member without Portfolio	Peter Wood

All trustees were members of the Society and gave their time voluntarily and received no remuneration or other benefits (save those benefits of membership afforded to every member of the Society).

In planning the Society’s activities for the year, the Trustees kept in mind the Charity Commission’s guidance on public benefit at their committee meetings.

The focus of the Society’s activities remained to advance, improve, develop and maintain public education in, and appreciation of, the art and science of music in all its aspects. This benefits people of all ages by developing their music reading skills, training their voices, improving their breathing and breath control through the respiratory exercise performed whilst singing, and providing regular opportunities to socialize with like-minded individuals in a friendly environment. A total of 37 members attended for some or all of Society’s events this year.

The Society welcomed people of all ages regardless of their personal background, faith, gender, or personal circumstances. The Society currently have an audition process to ensure that it maintains the standard required for public performance, as its efforts lead towards putting on a number of concerts each year.

These are some of the other public benefits that were provided by Quire Voices:

- A standard membership rate that is lower than the cost of most adult education courses.
- Public access to choral concerts that were more affordable than those provided by commercial entertainment providers.
- Provided free concert tickets for accompanied under-16s to encourage them to take an interest in classical choral music.
- Enhanced the cultural richness of the borough by performing classical choral works.

In the furtherance of the Society’s objectives, there were rehearsals and performances for the following events with professional help from our Musical Director Sean Bui and a number of other professional musicians:

Saturday 13th May 2023

Byrd: 400 at St Stephen and St Agnes Church, Windsor

A concert of Music by William Byrd to commemorate the 400th anniversary of his death

Saturday 23rd September 2023

1707 at Eton College Chapel.

A concert as part of the Windsor Festival where Handel's Dixit Dominus and d'Astorga's Stabat Mater were performed

Sunday 10th December 2023

Quire Voices at Christmas: Interactive Family Concert at the Royal Chapel, Windsor Great Park

A concert of family Christmas Carols

Sunday 10th December 2023

Evening Christmas Concert at the Royal Chapel, Windsor Great Park

A formal concert of Christmas music with Surrey Brass Quintet

Saturday 9th March 2024

Ave Maria at St Stephen and St Agnes Church, Windsor

A concert of Marian music

The Society looks forward to another exciting and fulfilling year as it moves into 2024/25.

Kirsty Bui

Chairman

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Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31st March 2024

Charity No.: 1200268

Quire Voices Statement of Profit or Loss for year ending 31st March 2024

	31st March 2024	31st March 2023
	£	£
Revenue	26,955	12,856
Other Income	7,013	1,942
Total Income	33,968	14,798
Cost of Sales	(1,906)	(689)
Gross Profit	32,062	14,109
Administrative Expenses	(20,432)	(14,468)
Operating Profit	11,630	(359)
Other Expenses	-	-
Profit before Tax	11,630	(359)
Tax	-	-
Profit After Tax	11,630	(359)

Quire Voices Statement of Financial Position as at 31st March 2024

	31st Mar 24	31st Mar 23
	£	£
Non Current Assets	-	-
Current Assets		
Trade & Other Debtors	6,489	302
Cash & Cash Equivalents	12,603	7,506
Total Current Assets	19,093	7,808
Total Assets	19,093	7,808
Current Liabilities		
Trade & Other Creditors	(4,355)	(5,700)
Deferred Income	(1,000)	0
Total Current Liabilities	(5,355)	(5,700)
Net Current Assets	13,738	2,108
Non-Current Liabilities	-	-
Net Assets	13,738	2,108
Equity		
Retained Earnings- Current Year	11,630	(359)
Retained Earnings- Prior Periods	2,108	2,467
Total Equity	13,738	2,108
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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Quire Voices, registered charity in England and Wales (no. 1200268)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Quire Voices for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of Quire Voices 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 Quire Voices accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 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 Quire Voices as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed: 
Stephanie Webb (Feb 7, 2025 08:23 GMT)

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Date: 03/02/2025