



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	August	2024		31	July	2025

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Besses Boys' Band
Other names charity is known by	Besses Boys 'Training Band/Besses youth Band/ Besses Band
Registered charity number (if any)	1205158
Charity's principal address	26 Parr fold
	Bury
Postcode	BL9 8JB

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	Bradley Hirst	Chairman		
2	David Fox			
3	David Wilkinson			
4	Mark Wilkinson			
5	Wendy Gray			
6	Chris Goring			
7	David Hirst	Treasurer		
8	Leslie Fielding			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution 2022
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CIO
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by members

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To promote, develop and maintain public education, and appreciation of the art and science of brass band music in all its aspects by public performance or otherwise, including the training and education of brass players and by other such ways as the band through its trustees shall determine.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Competing in National Brass Band Finals in Cheltenham
 Stand Church Concert with Nicola Fox (soprano)
 St. Margarets church concert with Training Band (fund raising for lady Wilton Hall and St. Margarets Church)
 March and Hymns for Prestwich Remembers (Prestwich Village)
 Christmas Concert at Stand Church with Affetside Choir
 Christmas concert at Dukinfield Moravian Church
 Christmas concert at Greenmount cricket Club
 Christmas concert at Sedgley Park RUFC with Training Band
 Christmas carolling Simister Village, Slatterys and public houses in local area.
 Summer Concert at Derby High School with Training band
 Boarshurst Band Club concert

Supporting NWABBA contests at Buxton and Regional Finals at Blackpool (Areas), Blackburn & Darwen March and Hymn Tune Contest and Whit Friday contest throughout Tameside and Saddleworth

Supporting Brass Bands England Youth Championships in Hull (March 2025)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

All concerts were very well received by both audiences and organisers.

Successful joint concert with other musical groups and singers hopefully to be repeated at future dates.

Continued good contest results :-

National Finals 2024 3rd prize in 2nd Section

Buxton Contest 2nd prize

Blackburn& Darwen 2nd Prize

Whit Friday at Droylesden

Continued development and success of the Training band playing their own concert (Tea & Tunes) as well as supporting the main band at various concerts and performing again at BBE Youth Championships in Birmingham (March 2026).

Receiving the Kings Award for Voluntary Service in November 2024.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Any reserves are held to facilitate the continued running of the band as illustrated in the accounts provided.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

Other optional information

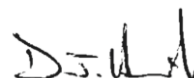
Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Bradley James Hirst

David John Hirst

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chairman

Treasurer

Date

29.05.2026



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Besses Boys Band

No (if any)
1205158

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
1-Aug-24

To

Period end date
31-Jul-25

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Concert Income	7,813	-	-	7,813	8,084
Subscriptions	4,163	-	-	4,163	3,313
Donations	1,257	-	-	1,257	14,374
Miscellaneous sales	52	-	-	52	773
Fund Raising	1,515	-	-	1,515	2,458
Prize monies	950	-	-	950	700
From Training Band	215	-	-	215	643
Grants	-	-	-	-	1,994
Petty cash	7	-	-	7	-
Bank Interest	50	-	-	50	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	16,022	-	-	16,022	32,339
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	16,022	-	-	16,022	32,339
A3 Payments					
Musical Directors	5,350	-	-	5,350	4,260
Rent	3,000	-	-	3,000	3,000
Instrument Repairs	30	-	-	30	30
Renewals	442	-	-	442	657
Insurance	700	-	-	700	791
Contest expenses	636	-	-	636	1,198
Travel expenses	1,790	-	-	1,790	1,315
Merchandise	-	-	-	-	275
Other /Misc expenses	1,908	-	-	1,908	1,954
venues/advertising	1,003	-	-	1,003	965
Subs/Registration	521	-	-	521	616
Music	355	-	-	355	1,614
Training band	359	-	-	359	922
Nationals 24	6,662	-	-	6,662	740
Sub total	22,756	-	-	22,756	18,337
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	22,756	-	-	22,756	18,337
Net of receipts/(payments)	6,734	-	-	6,734	14,002
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	6,734	-	-	6,734	14,002

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current account	3,318	-	-
	Premium account (TB)	10,051	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	13,369	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	