

# TEWKESBURY CHORAL SOCIETY

England & Wales - Charity number 260811

## Details

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**Other names** TEWKESBURY AND DISTRICT CHORAL SOCIETY

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 1970-05-20

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC IN THE ARTS AND SCIENCES, AND IN PARTICULAR THE ART AND SCIENCE OF MUSIC, BY THE PRESENTATION OF CONCERTS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES.

**Activities:** Provides classical choral music performances for the public and musical training/education.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED - IN PRACTICE TEWKESBURY
- Gloucestershire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31	£34,600	£28,346	-	-
2024-07-31	£30,358	£23,073	-	-
2023-07-31	£24,193	£24,992	-	-
2022-07-31	£19,847	£20,776	-	-
2021-07-31	£2,373	£4,353	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DAPHNE LLEWLLYN DAVIES		2024-10-07
Dr Geoff Silcock		2011-11-01
JEAN TURNER		2024-10-07
John Donovan		2024-10-07

**TEWKESBURY CHORAL SOCIETY**

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **1/8/24** To **31/7/25**

Charity name: **Tewkesbury Choral Society**

Charity registration number: **260811**

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>The object of the Society shall be to educate the public in the art and science of music, by presentation of concerts and other activities.</b>
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	<b>Public concerts in December and May. Regular rehearsals open to members who join the Society.</b>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>The trustees confirm they have had regard to providing public benefit</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	<b>n/a</b>
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	<b>n/a</b>
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<b>All Club Officers, Committee Members and helpers are volunteers who give their time freely and generously to support and present music making to the public.</b>

## 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	<p><b>Concert Saturday 7/12/24 Tewkesbury</b>  <b>Britten "A Ceremony of Carols"</b>  <b>Saint-Saens "Christmas Oratorio"</b>  <b>Well attended concert, much appreciated by the audiences of over 250</b></p> <p><b>Concert 17/5/25 Tewkesbury Abbey:</b>  <b>Rutter "Magnificat"</b>  <b>Jenkins "The Armend Man"</b>  <b>Extremely well attended concert, much appreciated by the audiences of 400</b></p> <p><b>An increasing membership attending regular rehearsals with 122 individual subscriptions for the last term.</b></p>

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<b>Income of £34,600 exceeded expenditure by £6,254</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>Reserves held to cover the cost of at least the year's concerts should circumstances cause total loss of concert income</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>In excess of £20,000. Currently £35,427</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>Not applicable</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>none</b>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>No uncertainties</b>

### 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	<b>Members subscriptions, concert ticket sales and Patron subscriptions</b>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	<b>Reserves kept in Community Savings Account with Saffron Building Society</b>

A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<b>Recurrence of a pandemic.</b>
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		<b>None</b>
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Constitution last updated 29/9/14</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>Unincorporated association</b>
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	<b>The four main officers, Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary &amp; Treasurer are appointed as trustees. The officers are elected by the society at its AGM</b>

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Tewkesbury Choral Society
Other name the charity uses	Previously – Tewkesbury & District Choral Society
Registered charity number	260811
Charity's principal address	8 The Grove, Hales Road, Cheltenham GL52 6SX

**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	Daphne Llewlyn Davies	Chair	7/10/24-31/07/25	
2	John Donovan	Vice-Chair		
3	Jean Turner	Secretary	7/10/24-31/07/25	
4	Geoffrey Silcock	Treasurer		

**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

Director name		
none		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
none		

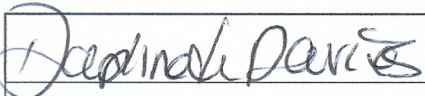
**Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others**

Description of the assets held in this capacity	none
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	Not applicable
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not applicable

**Declarations**

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

**Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	DAPHNE LLEWELLYN DAVIES	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIRMAN	
Date	20/10/25	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

TEWKESBURY CHORAL SOCIETY

On accounts for the year ended

31<sup>ST</sup> July 2025

Charity no (if any)

260811

Set out on pages

(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

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all 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 in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

Signed:

*Susan Williams*

Date:

30-9-25

Name:

SUSAN WILLIAMS

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

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# TEWKESBURY CHORAL SOCIETY

Registered charity no. 260811

## Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31st July 2025

	2024		2023		2024		2023	
	Dec	May	Dec	May	Dec	May	Dec	May
<b>1 Concert Expenses, £</b>								
Hire of venue + seating + deposit	1,537.28	1,567.28	1,726.72	1,713.28	4,604.64	7,322.03	5,335.17	3,438.96
Conductor and Artistes fees	2,810.00	1,070.00	2,260.00	1,890.00	402.50	621.09	462.50	357.00
Orchestra and music hire	3,566.64	6,008.15	3,757.00	0.00	934.00	652.50	586.50	915.88
Piano and Organ hire	222.00	222.00	420.00	972.00	5,941.14	8,595.62	6,384.17	4,711.84
Programmes	315.00	373.00	337.00	285.00	9,466.16	10,212.47	9,198.03	6,065.18
Flowers for performers	80.89	20.37	40.98	46.00	-3,525.02	-1,616.85	-2,813.86	-1,353.34
Administration/publicity	234.00	207.00	224.80	212.00				
Performing Rights (prev concert)	0.00	178.58	228.74	0.00				
Buying/hiring music and CDs	700.25	565.09	202.79	946.90				
Refreshments for performers	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
<b>Total concert expenses</b>	<b>9,466.16</b>	<b>10,212.47</b>	<b>9,198.03</b>	<b>6,065.18</b>				

	2024		2023		2024		2023	
	Dec	May	Dec	May	Dec	May	Dec	May
<b>3 General expenses</b>								
Administration - post, tele, stationery, gifts	194.15	165.22						
Subscriptions, insurance, website	687.78	560.06						
Rehearsal room at school/Abbey	1,650.00	1,350.00						
Conductor's rehearsal fee	3,220.00	2,860.00						
Accompanist's fee	2,915.00	2,575.00						
folders/scarves	0.00	298.40						
<b>Total general expenses</b>	<b>8,666.93</b>	<b>7,809.68</b>						

	2024/25		2023/24		2024		2023	
	Dec	May	Dec	May	Dec	May	Dec	May
<b>5 Summary of expenses</b>								
December concert	9,466.16	9,198.03						
May concert	10,212.47	6,065.18						
General expenses	8,666.93	7,809.68						
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>28,345.56</b>	<b>23,072.89</b>						

	2024/25		2023/24		2024		2023	
	Dec	May	Dec	May	Dec	May	Dec	May
<b>6 Summary of income</b>								
December concert	5,941.14	8,595.62						
May concert	20,063.16	20,063.16						
General income	34,599.92	34,599.92						
Less total expenses	-28,345.56	-28,345.56						
<b>Total profit for the year</b>	<b>6,254.36</b>	<b>6,254.36</b>						

This new total is made up of:

	2024/25	2023/24
Lloyds Bank account at present	1,187.40	1,424.67
Saffron Savings	25,427.20	18,934.52
Cashbox at present	32.88	33.93
Lloyds Fixed Term	10,000.00	10,000.00
<b>New financial total</b>	<b>£36,647.48</b>	<b>£30,393.12</b>

Geoff Silcock, Treasurer TCS  
Sue Williams, AIA, Examiner

31/7/25  
30/9/25

**TEWKESBURY CHORAL SOCIETY**

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# Accounts

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Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<b>All Club Officers, Committee Members and helpers are volunteers who give their time freely and generously to support and present music making to the public.</b>

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## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<b>Income of £30,358 exceeded expenditure by £7,285</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>Reserves held to cover the cost of at least the year's concerts should circumstances cause total loss of concert income</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>In excess of £20,000. Currently £30,393</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>Not applicable</b>
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Description of charity's trusts:		<b>None</b>	
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**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	Christine Bennett	Chair		
2	John Donovan	Vice-Chair		
3	Anne Brookes	Secretary		
4	Geoffrey Silcock	Treasurer		

**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

Director name		
none		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
none		


**Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others**

Description of the assets held in this capacity	none
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	Not applicable
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not applicable

**Declarations**

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

**Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

Signature(s) Christine E Bennett. 

Full name(s) Christine E Bennett GEOFFREY SILCOCK

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) Chair TREASURER

Date 7th October 2024



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

TEWKESBURY CHORAL SOCIETY

On accounts for the year ended

31<sup>ST</sup> July 2024

Charity no  
(if any)

260811

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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:

*Susan Williams*

Date:

27/8/24

Name:

SUSAN WILLIAMS

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

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.

[Empty box for disclosure details]

# Tewkesbury Choral Society

Registered charity no. 260811

## Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31st July 2024

	2023	2024	2022	2023		2023	2024	2022	2023
<b>1 Concert Expenses, £</b>	Dec	May	Dec	May	<b>2 Concert income, £</b>	Dec	May	Dec	May
Hire of venue + seating + deposit	1,726.72	1,713.28	1,307.20	1,218.72	Tickets	5,335.17	3,438.96	4,335.44	3,971.28
Conductor and Artistes fees	2,260.00	1,890.00	1,530.00	1,470.00	Programmes	462.50	357.00	261.96	277.80
Orchestra and music hire	3,757.00	0.00	3,589.50	4,297.37	Music/CD hire	586.50	915.88	490.00	533.25
Piano and Organ hire	420.00	972.00	330.00	654.00	<b>Total income</b>	<b>6,384.17</b>	<b>4,711.84</b>	<b>5,087.40</b>	<b>4,782.33</b>
Programmes	337.00	285.00	210.00	285.00	Less concert expenses	<b>9,198.03</b>	<b>6,065.18</b>	<b>7,544.34</b>	<b>9,248.39</b>
Flowers for performers	40.98	46.00	33.45	28.23	<b>Concert total</b>	<b>-2,813.86</b>	<b>-1,353.34</b>	<b>-2,456.94</b>	<b>-4,466.06</b>
Administration/publicity	224.80	212.00	249.19	305.00					
Performing Rights (prev concert)	228.74	0.00	0.00	227.71					
Buying/hiring music and CDs	202.79	946.90	295.00	507.36					
Refreshments for performers	0.00	0.00	0.00	255.00					
<b>Total concert expenses</b>	<b>9,198.03</b>	<b>6,065.18</b>	<b>7,544.34</b>	<b>9,248.39</b>					

	£	£		£	£
<b>3 General expenses</b>			<b>4 General income</b>		
Administration - post, tele, stationery, gifts	165.22	95.30	Members subscriptions	11,050.00	8,515.00
Subscriptions, insurance, website	560.06	386.55	Patrons subscriptions	3,030.00	2,045.00
Rehearsal room at school/Abbey	1,350.00	1,575.00	Gift Aid (tax recovered)	2,435.59	2,054.12
Conductor's rehearsal fee	2,860.00	2,985.00	Interest/commission	644.54	261.97
Accompanist's fee	2,575.00	2,650.00	sale of folders /scarves	256.00	248.00
folders/scarves	299.40	507.60	Donations	1,389.81	704.00
<b>Total general expenses</b>	<b>7,809.68</b>	<b>8,199.45</b>	Bring and buy sale	456.10	495.00
			<b>Total general income</b>	<b>19,262.04</b>	<b>14,323.09</b>

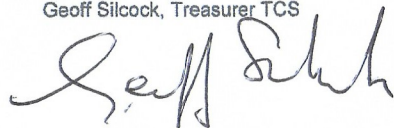
	£	£		£	£
<b>5 Summary of expenses</b>			<b>6 Summary of income</b>		
December concert	9,198.03	7,544.34	December concert	6,384.17	5,087.40
May concert	6,065.18	9,248.39	May concert	4,711.84	4,782.33
General expenses	7,809.68	8,199.45	General income	19,262.04	14,323.09
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>23,072.89</b>	<b>24,992.18</b>	<b>Total income</b>	<b>30,358.05</b>	<b>24,192.82</b>
			Less total expenses	<b>-23,072.89</b>	<b>-24,992.18</b>
			<b>Total profit for the year</b>	<b>7,285.16</b>	<b>-799.36</b>

	2023/24	2022/23
Adding this profit to our starting position...		
Lloyds Bank account	2,641.91	3,033.81
Saffron Savings	10,417.17	20,834.13
Cashbox	48.88	39.38
Lloyds Fixed Term	10,000.00	
<b>Total at the start of the year</b>	<b>23,107.96</b>	<b>£23,907.32</b>
Plus profit/Less loss for year	7,285.16	-799.36
<b>New financial total at end of year</b>	<b>£30,393.12</b>	<b>£23,107.96</b>

	2023/24	2022/23
This new total is made up of:		
Lloyds Bank account at present	1,424.67	2,641.91
Saffron Savings	18,934.52	10,417.17
Cashbox at present	33.93	48.88
Lloyds Fixed Term	10000.00	10,000.00
<b>New financial total</b>	<b>£30,393.12</b>	<b>£23,107.96</b>

31/7/24

Geoff Silcock, Treasurer TCS



Sue Williams, AIA, Examiner

