



The Lancastrian Theatre Organ Trust.

Registered Charity no; 261487

Vice Presidents; Joyce Alldred LLCM., David Alldred, Nigel Ogden, Eric Halsall, CEng., MIET.

Trustee's Annual Report - AGM - Year Ending 31st July 2022

In this Trustee's Report for the Year Ending 31st July 2022, we would like to apprise you of the activities of The Lancastrian Theatre Organ Trust during the year, a year which has been quite demanding and challenging on a number of fronts.

As mentioned at the last AGM, we encountered severe water ingress into the main chamber of the Stockport Wurlitzer. At that time no decision had been made on the repair/refurbishment, as it was determined that the work proposed by Martin Goetze and Dominic Gwynn Organ Builders Ltd. was not possible, due to restricted access to carry out the work. It was therefore resolved that the work be undertaken by the Trust's own personnel. An insurance claim was received to cover the repairs and reinstatement to the value of £4470.00.

The Trustees would like to thank all those who assisted with the extensive work, which was project managed by Charles Brown, John Loud, Ron Whalley and Vic Matthews. Grateful thanks also to David Alldred, Walter Baker, Ben Snowden, Joe Marsh, Robert Balfour-Rowley, Gary Trinder and John Abson for their supporting expertise.

Concerts have resumed at Stockport Town Hall, but with some changes being made by Stockport MBC. The Stockport Monday Lunchtime Wurlitzer Showcases, arranged by the Trust, on behalf of Stockport MBC, have been reduced in frequency to six events per year (Five in 2023). The Trust's own events have been allocated to either Saturday, or Sunday. Concerts on both of the Trust's days will usually be held in the afternoon. Presentations at Stockport are now enhanced with lighting and video monitors.

Stockport MBC has indicated that after being in force for 23 years, they will be looking at re-negotiating the Trust's contract.

Proposals have yet to be put on the table, but in the meantime the Trust enjoys healthy support from the management team at the Town Hall, for which we thank them.

Attendances at the resumed concerts at Stockport, both lunchtime and LTOT events, have shown a slow return. We do hope that we can encourage patrons to return to their strong numbers, to continue the viability of concerts.

Following the Covid-19 shutdown, audiences at the redecorated Heritage Centre quickly returned to near pre Covid levels. The Trustees would like to thank patrons for their continued support. Much work goes into preparing and presenting these Wednesday lunchtime events, especially the catering team. Their bacon butties are very well received. The Trustees would like to place on record their thanks to Judy Hyde, Doreen Daubney and Vic Matthews, for their culinary expertise. Thanks also to the organ tech team and to Roger Fisher for booking the artists.

We would also like to remember Derek Mills, who sadly passed away earlier in the year. Derek was a great help in a number of activities at the Centre, including catering.

Your Trustees are becoming increasingly concerned about the future of the Trust, in respect of finding suitable volunteers to secure succession management and ongoing support. In the coming year, your Trustees will be reaching out to like-minded enthusiasts, be it individuals, or groups/organisations, which have a desire to continue the running of the Trust in the professional manner, which has been associated with the Trust for the last 54 years. If you can help, please drop us a line.

Although not in this year, it is worth mentioning our pleasure in being able to support Northern District Convention of The Cinema Organ Society, on their visit to Stockport Town Hall on the 28th August 2022.

Richard Hills was the organist, who presented a superb programme at the Stockport Wurlitzer.

Thank you all for your continued support.

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Income and Expenditure Year Ending 31st July 2022

	This Year		Note	Last Year	
	£	£		£	£
Income					
Heritage Centre Income	20926			865	
Heritage Centre Operating Costs	-20411	515		-13936	-13071
Subscription Income Less Expenses	2176			2375	
Gift Aid Income	621			600	
Cost of Vox Journal	-1339	1458		-991	1984
Concert Income	915			0	
Donations from Tours at Stockport	0			0	
Concert Costs	-1960	-1045		0	0
Sales Stall/Internet Income net	143			256	
Cost of Merchandise	-65			-65	
MCPS Fees	0				
Stock Adjustment	0	78			191
Total Income (Gross Profit)		1006			-10896
Expenditure					
AGM Expenditure	-525			0	
General Administration/Office Expenses	-60			-214	
Postage and Telephone	-13			-9	
Printing, Stationery, Advertising	-43			-51	
Organ Maintenance/Tuning STH	-2217			-583	
Sundry Expenses	-194			-35	
Provision for Renewals STH Organ	0			0	
Web Site Costs	-216	-3268		-216	-1108
Net Trading Profit/Loss (-)		-2262			-12004
Sale of Equipment		313			
Insurance Claim - STH		4470			0
Grants - Funding		0			18400
HLF Expenditure to Date		-6946			-8963
Salford Business Support		2667			19919
Donations		1412			1445
Interest Received		0			0
Net Profit /Loss (-) for the Year		-346			18797



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Balance Sheet as at 31st July 2022

	This Year		Note	Last Year	
	£	£		£	£
Fixed Assets					
Wurlitzer Organ - Stockport Town Hall	258449		1	258449	
Vintage Record & Book Library	100			100	
LTOT Heritage Centre Brought Forward	152720			152720	
Refurbishment Costs This Year	1986			1986	
Wurlitzer Organ at Heritage Centre	15550			15550	
Audio/Video Equipment at cost	7760			8073	
CCTV at cost	720			720	
Compton Organ at Heritage Centre	42471			42471	
Provisions for Depreciation	0			-2379	
Total Fixed Assets		479756			477690
Current Assets					
Business Current Account	33311			35718	
Cash Floats - General	260			60	
Cash Float - HC Expenses	0			0	
Cash in Hand	0			0	
Debtor - Stockport MBC	175			0	
Sundry Debtors	0			0	
Prepaid PRS	0			0	
Sales Stall Stocks	2095			2489	
Total Current Assets		35841			38267
Current Liabilities					
Sundry Creditors	-94	-94		0	0
Total Assets		515503			515957
Represented By:					
Funds Brought Forward		515957			497160
Stock adjustment		-108			0
Income Current Year		-346			18797
LTOT Fund Balances C/Forward		<u>515503</u>			<u>515957</u>

Notes

1. Refurbishment includes -(kitchen) costs 2015/2016 estimated at £16,000 now recovered over 10 years . To end of this year amount to £1596.
Boiler renewal 2017 £1950 recovered over 5 years . this year £390.00

David Alldred - Treasurer
On Behalf of the Board f Trustees
Dated - 31st October 2022

Peter A ratcliffe - AMRSPH
Independant Examiner
Dated - 8th November 2022