

THE CHISWICK CHOIR REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES 2020-21

The Chiswick Choir is a registered charity, number 278765, whose objectives are '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'.

The trustees for the year were A Speakman (Chair, appointed October 2016), S Everton (Hon Secretary, appointed Sept 2015) and S Richards (Hon Treasurer, appointed October 2011). Other committee members were Mary Fei, C Williams, A Mercer, A Krajewski, G Cuming, M Violentano, B Barker, C Ashford-Russell and J Rolt. The rehearsal accompanists was Maria Struckova, and the Music Director was Hilary Campbell.

Concert Programme

Once again, the Covid pandemic disrupted our programme. Thirty members of the choir sang in a socially-distanced concert of Chilcott's On Christmas Night in December at St Michael & All Angels W4 1TT. This was streamed to the choir. We were unable to hold either of the remaining two concerts.

Non-Concert Choir Activities

Government guidelines relating to the pandemic meant that most of our rehearsals continued on Zoom, although we were able to hold a few live rehearsals prior to the December concert, with members socially distanced and singing in masks.

Financial Report

The choir's bank account is held with Santander, with a deposit account with the COIF Charities Deposit Fund. We received two generous legacies from deceased choir members, and shall use one to fund a Composition Competition and the other towards recording a CD in the next financial year.

Scholarship Scheme

Four annual scholarships worth £900 each and open to singers aged 18-30, or students in full or part time music education were offered. As the scholars had not had their usual opportunities, the holders continued in post for a further year.

Friends of the choir are our regular supporters, receiving the benefit of tickets for each concert and an invitation to the annual Chiswick Choir and Friends' party for paying an annual subscription.

Sponsors in 2020/21 were Killik & Co (platinum sponsor), Horton and Garton, Fuller Smith & Turner plc, Cote Brasserie and Chiswick Herald. Several of the sponsors assisted the choir through provision of services rather than cash.

Members' **subscriptions** remained at £195 if paid once a year, £200 for members paying twice yearly and £210 if subscriptions are paid each term.

The choir finished the year with funds of £60,418. The membership and Friends' subscriptions for 2021/22 will be unchanged.

We are most grateful for the generosity of all our friends, sponsors and members of the choir.

Sheila Richards, Hon Treasurer

September 2021

The Chiswick Choir

Summary of Accounts for year ended 31 July 2021

		2021	2020
Income	Members subscriptions	12,435	18,620
	Gift Aid & Bank Interest	2,187	3,145
	Friends subscriptions & donations	796	1,655
	Legacies	44,514	-
	Sponsorship & programme advertising	1,975	2,525
	Sale of music to members	-	498
	Choir Tour Bruges	9,800	-
	Workshop	469	1,845
	Fundraising	191	122
	Sundry income incl rehearsal refreshments	636	236
		73,003	28,646
Expenditure	Rehearsal halls	1,088	1,221
	Fees rehearsal pianist	3,680	4,059
	Fees conductor	9,345	9,254
	Making music, prs, insurance	467	627
	Purchase of music for resale	210	825
	Scholarships	3,685	2,950
	Choir Tour Bruges	8,075	-
	Workshop	300	2,934
	Sundry expenditure incl Christmas party	2,640	776
	Fundraising	-	-
		29,490	22,646
Surplus before concert account		43,513	6,000

CONCERT ACCOUNT

Income	Ticket sales & refreshments	-	3,408
	Grants	-	300
		-	3,708
Expenditure	Soloists	-	1,575
	Orchestra	300	5,100
	Venue hire	105	571
	Music hire	-	-
	Instrument hire	-	-
	Print & Publicity	-	363
	Refreshments	-	280
	Sundry expenses	7	948
		412	8,837
Concert Account Surplus / (deficit)		(412)	(5,129)
	Surplus before concert account	43,513	6,000
	Concert account deficit	(412)	(5,129)
	Surplus/(deficit) for year	43,101	871
	Funds in hand at 1st August	17,317	16,446
	Funds in hand at 31st July	60,418	17,317

REPRESENTED BY (Statement of assets and liabilities)

Cash at bank (Santander + CCLA)	59,162	16,574
Less uncleared cheques	-	-
Plus uncleared deposits	-	-
Less deferred income	-	(9,800)
Plus accrued income	2,186	3,384
Plus deferred expenditure	-	8,025
Less creditors & accrued expenditure	(930)	(866)
	60,418	17,317

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CONCERT ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 July 2021

	Total	Dec-20	Apr-21	Jul-21
Income				
Tickets, programmes & refreshments	-	-		
Grants	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Expenditure				
Concert soloists	-	-	-	
Concert orchestra	300	300	-	-
Venue hire	105	105		
Music hire	-			
Instrument hire	-	-	-	
Programmes/publicity	-	-		
Refreshments	-			-
Sundry	7	7	-	
Total expenditure	412	412	-	-
	<u>412</u>	<u>412</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Surplus/(deficit)	(412)	(412)	-	-
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Programme for season 2020-21

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Note - Other Assets

The choir owns a touch-sensitive Roland electronic keyboard.
It is available for hire by responsible persons.
It was purchased as an ex-demonstration model in 1996 for £1200
It is insured for a replacement value of £6000

The choir has a library containing various items which are available for hire.
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE CHISWICK CHOIR

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Chiswick Choir for the year ended 31st July 2021.

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').

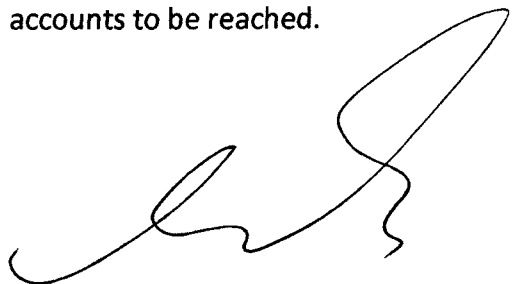
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 giving me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

1. the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
2. the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
3. 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.



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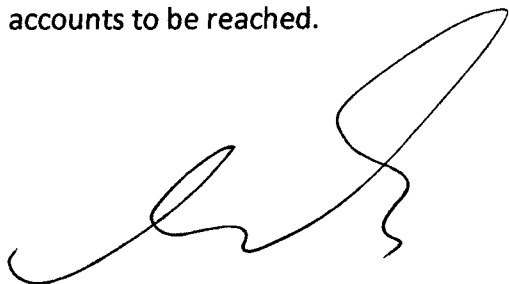
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