



# the Waverley Singers

Farnham

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The SW Surrey and NE Hants Choral Society  
Registered Charity No: 284123 NFMS Affiliated

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To all Members

## **Treasurer's Report for the year to 31 July 2023**

This year has been notable for a significant increase in the Choir's membership. There were 93 members listed in the programme for the Summer Concert, though not all took part – nor would we have fitted into St Mary the Virgin Church in Frensham if they had! This is very good news for the Treasurer, and largely explains why the accounts show a healthy surplus on the year, much better than was budgeted for. If the Choir is able to retain or even increase this level of membership, it will be possible to programme regular orchestral works in the future, which the Committee has every intention of doing, if financially viable.

This year's programme was, inevitably, lower key than last, but we performed the Duruflé Requiem in the autumn and the Brahms German Requiem, in a most effective setting for small orchestra, in the spring, and attracted good and appreciative audiences to all the concerts. Proper credit should go to the publicity team which has done so much to raise the profile of the Choir on-line and in the press, and through Mike Aaronson's excellent interviews.

Next year, we hope to start making use of Jo Reader's legacy to further promote the interests of the Choir. A working party is currently developing various proposals which will be discussed by the Committee before the end of 2023. There is much to look forward to!

My thanks as always to everyone in the Choir who makes my job easier, particularly those who help at the concerts with ticket and programme selling and the bar. Thanks also to our loyal Patrons, whose generosity is much appreciated. Liz Witham handles the petty cash account with immaculate precision and Gillian Pickering extracts the maximum in Gift Aid from HMRC. All members have a vital part to play in the future success of the Choir, as their friends and families make up the bulk of our audience and their enthusiasm spreads the word that the Waverley Singers is an ambitious and high-quality Choir, well worth joining.

**Hugh Gammell – Hon Treasurer**

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**ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023****INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

	£	£	£	£
	2022/2023		2021/2022	
<b><u>INCOME</u></b>				
<b>Subscription Income</b>				
Choir	15,215		13,130	
Patrons	3,087		3,052	
Tax Refunds via Gift Aid	4,023		2,793	
<b>Total Subscription Income</b>		22,325		18,975
<b>Other Income</b>				
Donations	530		490	
Shawbrook/CAF Interest	191		39	
Music Account Income	4,141		1,297	
Advertisements	425		150	
Refreshments - net	470		366	
Miscellaneous	57		700	
Workshop – net	603		251	
<b>Total Other Income</b>		6,417		3,293
<b>TOTAL INCOME - EXCLUDING CONCERTS</b>		28,742		22,268
<b><u>EXPENDITURE</u></b>				
Rehearsals	10,110		9,120	
Hall Hire	6,452		5,704	
Publicity	24		149	
Stationery and Postage	229			
Nat. Fed. Music Societies	705		647	
Music Account Costs	4,044		1,804	
Miscellaneous	832		987	
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE - EXCLUDING CONCERTS</b>		22,396		18,411
<b>BALANCE OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE EXCLUDING CONCERTS</b>		6,346		3,857
<b>LOSS ON CONCERTS - see attached</b>		-2,465		-11,247
<b>SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR</b>		<b>3,881</b>		<b>-7,390</b>

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**ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023****BALANCE SHEET**

	Notes	£	£	£	£
			2022/2023		2021/2022
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Cost of Fixed assets (See Note 5)			10,678		10,678
Additions during the year					
			10,678		10,678
less: Accumulated Depreciation and write off		10,675		10,675	
Written off this year		-		-	
			<u>-10,675</u>		<u>-10,675</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE OF FIXED ASSETS</b>			<u>3</u>		<u>3</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Deposits etc carried forward	6		144		26
<b>BANK BALANCES AND CASH</b>					
CAF Bank		14,449		11,922	
Barclays Community Account		7,296		5,944	
Shawbrook/United Trust Deposit Account		20,000		20,000	
Petty Cash		320		320	
<b>TOTAL BANK BALANCES AND CASH</b>			<u>42,065</u>		<u>38,186</u>
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>			<u>42,209</u>		<u>38,212</u>
<b>Less: CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
Surplus on tour account	7		<u>1,338</u>		<u>1,222</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			<u>40,871</u>		<u>36,990</u>
<b>TOTAL CHOIR FUNDS</b>			<u>40,874</u>		<u>36,993</u>
<b>REPRESENTED BY:</b>					
<b>TOTAL CHOIR FUNDS IN PREVIOUS YEAR</b>			36,993		44,383
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR</b>			3,881		-7,390
<b>TOTAL CHOIR FUNDS</b>			<u>40,874</u>		<u>36,993</u>

	<u>AUTUMN</u>	<u>WINTER</u>	<u>SPRING</u>	<u>SUMMER</u>
<u>Venue</u>	St Thomas-on-the-Bourne	St Lawrence, Alton	St Andrew's, Aldershot	St Mary the Virgin, Frensham
<u>Date</u>	29 <sup>h</sup> October 2022	3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2022	25 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	25 <sup>th</sup> June 2023
<u>Performance</u>	Durufilé Requiem etc	Arise Arise	Brahms German Requiem	Summer Shakespeare
<u>Ticket Price</u>	£15	£15	£15	£15

	<u>2022/23</u>	<u>2021/22</u>	<u>2022/23</u>	<u>2021/22</u>	<u>2022/23</u>	<u>2021/22</u>	<u>2022/23</u>	<u>2021/22</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	2022/23	2021/22
<b><u>INCOME</u></b>									£	£
Ticket Sales	2,081	1,566	2,138	2,009	1,928	3,837	1,872	3,069	8,019	10,481
Profess'l Fees Donations						600		750		1,350
Donations	386				10	1,000		2,250	396	3,250
Programmes	32	54	73	70	66	102	68	87	239	313
<b><u>TOTAL INCOME</u></b>	<b>2,499</b>	<b>1,620</b>	<b>2,211</b>	<b>2,079</b>	<b>2,004</b>	<b>5,539</b>	<b>1,940</b>	<b>6,156</b>	<b>8,654</b>	<b>15,394</b>
<b><u>EXPENDITURE</u></b>										
Venue	698	628	317	275	319	1,256	250	-	1,584	2,159
Professional fees	2,050	2,859	1,500	1,380	3,520	8,435	1,000	10,299	8,070	22,973
Printing & Publicity	270	195	292	320	263	234	249	300	1,074	1,049
Miscellaneous	71	76	36	51	260	59	24	274	391	460
<b><u>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</u></b>	<b>3,089</b>	<b>3,758</b>	<b>2,145</b>	<b>2,026</b>	<b>4,362</b>	<b>9,984</b>	<b>1,523</b>	<b>10,873</b>	<b>11,119</b>	<b>26,641</b>
<b><u>PROFIT (LOSS) ON CONCERTS</u></b>	<b>-590</b>	<b>-2,138</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>-1,107</b>	<b>-2,358</b>	<b>-4,445</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>-4,717</b>	<b>-2,465</b>	<b>-11,247</b>

# **THE WAVERLEY SINGERS, FARNHAM, SURREY**

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## **ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023**

### **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

1. The accounts have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis, as agreed by the Trustees.
2. The closing balances do not contain any Restricted Funds, as defined in the November 1995 Statement of Recommended Practice issued by the Charity Commission.
3. In accordance with recommended practice, the gross income and expenditure on various ancillary activities have been shown in the accounts, rather than the net figures, as follows:

	<u>2022-2023</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
Music	£97	-£507

4. Consistent with prior years, Rehearsal Costs are shown as a separate item of expenditure, rather than being allocated to concerts. These are the professional fees paid to the conductor and accompanist for their attendance at rehearsals. The professional fees of the conductor for concerts are included in the cost of the individual concerts. The cost of hiring rehearsal halls is shown as a separate item of expenditure.
5. Fixed assets include assets previously written off against Special Reserves.
6. The deposit paid to St Lawrence Church for the Christmas 2022 venue has been included in this year's accounts. The deposits paid to St Lawrence Church for the Christmas 2023 venue and to St Andrew's Church for the Summer 2024 venue will be carried forward, as will the fee paid to Top Print for posters for the Autumn Concert 2023.
7. Money has been raised for a choir tour, which we are planning for next year. The choir bank account is used to hold these funds and they are accounted for separately.
8. Generous donations from choir members and supporters were made for both the Autumn and Spring Concerts. They have been included in the accounts for those concerts not in the income and expenditure account.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

John Holden – Chairman

Hugh Gammell – Hon Treasurer

Date: September 2023

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**Independent Examiner's Report to The Trustees of The Waverley Singers  
on the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 July 2023**  
**set out on pages 2 to 5**

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

The charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under s144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under s145 of the Act;
- to follow the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission (under s145(5)(b) of the Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Signed:**

**Date:** October 2023

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