

## AGM Daventry Band

29.04.2025

Welcome from President Martin Heath

### Apologies

- Brian Knight
- Mike Beale
- Tegan Stokes
- Emily Simpson
- Angie Lakey
- Louise Kennedy
- Mollie Anderson
- Mark Stevens

Minutes from the previous AGM held on 16/4/2024 were agreed as an accurate record. Proposed Caroline Lewin, seconded Chris Buck.

### Matters Arising from minutes

- Valuation of the band Hall

Still in the process of locating someone to value the building, due to the unique roof. Ongoing priority for the new committee.

### Annual Report from the Band Committee – J Dennett (Chairperson)

- Nadine Clarke left the committee mid-year, so John Dennett took over as interim chairperson for meetings
- John thanked the members of the committee – especially Lucy and her role as secretary and Alison and Chris Buck, who have developed the junior section of the band. John also thanked the committee as a whole.
- Policies have been developed during the tenure of the committee – e.g., safeguarding and the Band Conduct policy
- New uniforms have been purchased for the more informal band jobs
- Summer events went well
- 2 concerts have been performed in Newnham Church and the youngest members of the band – Tegan and Oscar, performed a duet, and the junior band played at the Christmas concert,
- Old People's Homes were visited by a group from the band on Boxing Day
- Recruitment and retainment of players continues to be an issue and a high priority for the band and the committee. There have been adverts on Facebook, and we are also relying upon word of mouth and posters. Players are needed in all sections and of all ages. Attendance at rehearsals also needs to improve, in order to attract new players.
- During the regionals contest there were quite a number of deps needed to fill the places required. The band is now quite low in rankings in the third section and will need to improve this position in March 2026 in order for it to retain its 3<sup>rd</sup> Section status.

- Band Hall upkeep – thanks went to Ken Ewer for continuing to do this, as well as cleaning and the administration needed for hall bookings.
- The saddest news the band had this year was the untimely and deeply upsetting death of Paul Cartmell – the first trombone player. The band miss him as a player as well as a true gentleman.
- John is retiring as chair of the committee

#### Treasurer's Report

The accounts were audited and produced by a qualified accountant

Ken Ewer questioned why the tables expenditure appeared where it did – Caroline responded that the cheque was late in clearing.

#### Election of Officers

Chairperson – Alison Buck

Treasurer – Caroline Lewin

Secretary – nobody was elected at the meeting

Committee – David Moorhouse and John Dennett

All elected on block. Proposed by Tracey Moxon, seconded by Lucy Higgins

#### President Election

Martin Hath prepared to continue the role.

Proposed and voted unanimously by a show of hands

Vice Presidents – as previous years, so remain

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#### Discussion – Code of Conduct for the Band

Alison Buck has adopted the Code of Conduct form a Brass Band England pro forma. Will be displayed on the notice board. All members to read and adhere to.

All members of the meeting agreed to adopt this.

#### Award Presentation

The Committee Recognition award was awarded to Wayne Russell from the bass section for his commitment during rehearsals, personal practice and being the most improved player of the year.

## AOB

Thursday evenings and Junior Band. Alison asked if there were any members of the band who could volunteer to help out from 1830 as it was difficult for her to juggle travelling times and work commitments, on occasions. Possibility of a rota discussed. John Dennett volunteered to help.

The meeting concluded at 2010

**DAVENTRY BRASS**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>INCOME</b>	<b>2024</b>
Registration / Contest	220.40	Hire of Hall	20380.00
Conductor	2870.00		
Insurance of Instruments	564.06	Functions	1940.00
Repairs to Instruments	174.00		
Uniforms purchased	991.80	Donation	25.00
Music purchased	328.96		
Music stands purchased	240.00	British Gas Refund	70.45
Junior Band			
Performing Rights licence	94.19	Bank Interest	5,423.03
Brass Band England			
Player expenses			
Bank charges	79.00		
Miscellaneous	209.51		
Depreciation	748.80		
<b>Expenditure on Hall</b>			
WNC NDR Rates	103.74		
Repairs and Renewals	3016.98		
Tables	975.72		
Service and maintenance	1533.63		
Insurance	1789.43		
Caretaker and Supplies	2916.02		
Cleaning	800.00		
Energy costs	4961.31		
<b>Total</b>	<b>22617.55</b>		

# DAVENTRY BRASS

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

2023	FIXED ASSETS	2024
1,000,000.00	"New" Band Hall at Daneholme Close Daventry at current valuation (Daventry District Council acquired the freehold of the "Old" Hall in exchange for the freehold of the "New" Hall)	1,000,000.00
6,401.00	Instruments and cases as at 31.12.23 Music Stands Purchased Less depreciation (10%) Instruments as at 31.12.24	6,401.00 240.00 664.00 5,977.00
701.00	Uniforms as at 31.12.23 Uniforms purchased Less depreciation (5%) Uniforms as at 31.12.24	701.00 991.80 84.80 1,608.00
1,007,102.00	TOTAL	
	CURRENT ASSETS	
105,845.66	Charities Official Investment Fund	111,268.69
8,203.47	Bank Current Account	8,276.48
652.32	Cash in hand	1,126.01
1,121,803.45	TOTAL	
Nil	Less Current Liabilities	Nil
1,121,803.45	TOTAL NET ASSETS	1,128,256.18

On behalf of Daventry Brass *C LEWIN* Trustee *[Signature]*  
On behalf of Daventry Brass *A BUCK* Trustee *[Signature]*

Date:

Report by Independent Examiner:

In accordance with the instructions given to me I have prepared and examined  
without carrying out an audit the annexed accounts prepared from the  
accountancy records of Daventry Brass

Sally Watkinson

29th April 2025