

THE WOOBURN SINGERS

England & Wales · Charity number 287969

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1983-10-10

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE SOCIETY SHALL BE TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC IN THE ARTS AND SCIENCES, AND IN PARTICULAR THE ART AND SCIENCE OF MUSIC, IN THE PRESENTATION OF CONCERTS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES.

Activities: The promotion of concerts of choral and other music, and the promotion of excellence in choral singing by example and through choral workshops.

Classification

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

Geography

- Buckinghamshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31	£32,624	£26,528	-	-
2024-07-31	£35,090	£28,060	-	-
2023-07-31	£36,680	£29,467	-	-
2022-07-31	£24,860	£29,632	-	-
2021-07-31	£13,662	£16,120	-	-
2020-07-31	£26,019	£21,738	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Debbie Hault		2021-07-04
Rosanna Kendrick		2024-10-01
Rowena Harrison		2023-11-22

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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

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Charity number	287969
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Ms R Kendrick
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Chair



Ms R Kendrick
Treasurer



Ms R Harrison
Secretary

Date: 27 May 2026

THE WOOBURN SINGERS

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE WOOBURN SINGERS

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Wooburn Singers (the Charity) for the year ended 31 July 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

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

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

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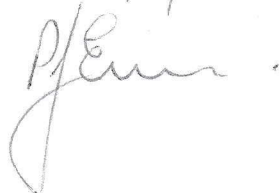
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- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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 financial statements to be reached.

Pink Affinity Limited

The Clock House
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Dated: 19/5/26



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THE WOOBURN SINGERS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

		Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £
	Notes		
Income from:			
Donations and legacies		12,275	-
Charitable activities		20,349	-
Total income		<u>32,624</u>	<u>-</u>
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities	3	28,894	67
Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds		3,730	(67)
Fund balances at 1 August 2024		22,798	8,009
Fund balances at 31 July 2025		<u><u>26,528</u></u>	<u><u>7,942</u></u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

THE WOOBURN SINGERS

BALANCE SHEET

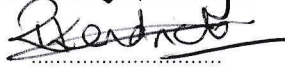
AS AT 31 JULY 2025

	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
Current assets					
Debtors	6	1,658		76	
Cash at bank and in hand		33,925		30,981	
		<u>35,584</u>		<u>31,057</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	<u>(1,114)</u>		<u>(250)</u>	
Net current assets			34,470		30,807
Income funds					
Restricted funds			7,942		8,009
Unrestricted funds			26,528		22,798
			<u>34,470</u>		<u>30,807</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 27 May 2026



Mrs D Hault
Chair



Ms R Kendrick
Treasurer



Ms R Harrison
Secretary

THE WOOBURN SINGERS

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The Wooburn Singers is a charity providing to educate the public in the arts and sciences and in particular the art and science of music.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charity's [governing document], the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019). The Charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the Charity.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the Charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the Charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

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Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

3 Charitable activities

	2025	2024
	£	£
Cost of programmes	401	604
Conductor's fees and expenses		3,348
Musicians' fees	7,942	3,936
Venue hire	2,985	2,804
Music hire / purchase	2,159	1,649
Publicity, programme printing	146	272
PRS fees	167	457
Rehearsal costs	12,225	12,711
Sundry expenses	2,936	2,278
	<u>28,961</u>	<u>28,060</u>
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4 Employees

There were no employees during the year.

5 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

6 Debtors

	2025	2024
Amounts falling due within one year:	£	£
Trade debtors	108	76
Prepayments and accrued income	1,550	-
	<u>1,658</u>	<u>76</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

7 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Deferred income	8	-	-
Other creditors		553	100
Accruals and deferred income		561	150
		<u>1,114</u>	<u>250</u>

8 Deferred income

	2025 £	2024 £
Other deferred income	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Deferred income is included in the financial statements as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Deferred income is included within:		
Current liabilities	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Movements in the year:		
Deferred income at 1 August 2024	-	-
Released from previous periods	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Deferred income at 31 July 2025	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

9 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2024 - none).

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		Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £
<u>Income from:</u>			
Donations and legacies		13,412	2,200
Charitable activities		21,678	-
Total income		<u>35,090</u>	<u>2,200</u>
<u>Expenditure on:</u>			
Charitable activities	3	<u>28,060</u>	<u>991</u>
Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds		7,030	1,209
Fund balances at 1 August 2023		<u>15,768</u>	<u>6,800</u>
Fund balances at 31 July 2024		<u><u>22,798</u></u>	<u><u>8,009</u></u>

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 JULY 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
Current assets					
Debtors	6	76		1,438	
Cash at bank and in hand		30,981		21,380	
		<u>31,057</u>		<u>22,818</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	(250)		(250)	
Net current assets			30,807		22,568
Income funds					
Restricted funds			8,009		6,800
Unrestricted funds			22,798		15,768
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

3 Charitable activities

	2024	2023
	£	£
Cost of programmes	604	468
Conductor's fees and expenses	3,348	3,129
Musicians' fees	3,936	4,760
Venue hire	2,804	2,405
Music hire / purchase	1,649	1,976
Publicity, programme printing	272	194
PRS fees	457	369
Rehearsal costs	12,711	12,994
Sundry expenses	2,278	3,173
	<u>28,060</u>	<u>29,468</u>
	<u>28,060</u>	<u>29,468</u>

4 Employees

There were no employees during the year.

5 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

6 Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	76	1,388
Prepayments and accrued income	-	50
	<u>76</u>	<u>1,438</u>

THE WOOBURN SINGERS

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

7 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Deferred income	8	-	-
Other creditors		100	100
Accruals and deferred income		150	150
		<u>250</u>	<u>250</u>

8 Deferred income

	2024 £	2023 £
Other deferred income	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Deferred income is included in the financial statements as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Deferred income is included within:		
Current liabilities	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Movements in the year:		
Deferred income at 1 August 2023	-	155
Released from previous periods	-	(155)
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Deferred income at 31 July 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

9 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2023 - none).

THE WOOBURN SINGERS

England & Wales - Charity number 287969

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THE WOOBURN SINGERS

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Mrs D Hault Ms L Favager Dr MHB Thomas
Charity number	287969
Principal address	Stable Cottage Finch Lane Knotty Green Beaconsfield Buckinghamshire HP9 2TL
Independent examiner	Pink Affinity Limited The Clock House Station, Approach Marlow Buckinghamshire SL7 1NT

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THE WOUBURN SINGERS

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2023.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the Charity's [governing document], the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities

The object of the Society shall be to promote, improve, develop and maintain public education in and appreciation of the art and science of choral music in all its aspects by the presentation of public concerts or for such other purposes as shall be exclusively charitable as the Committee may from time to time decide.

Achievements and performance

Financial review

It is the policy of the Charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The Trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the Charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Structure, governance and management

The Trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Mrs D Hoult

Ms L Favager

Dr MHB Thomas

Supplier payment policy

The charity's current policy concerning the payment of trade creditors is to follow the CBI's Prompt Payers Code (copies are available from the CBI, Centre Point, 103 New Oxford Street, London WC1A 1DU).

The charity's current policy concerning the payment of trade creditors is to:

- settle the terms of payment with suppliers when agreeing the terms of each transaction;
- ensure that suppliers are made aware of the terms of payment by inclusion of the relevant terms in contracts; and
- pay in accordance with the charity's contractual and other legal obligations.

There were no trade creditors of the charity at the year end.

The Trustees report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



Mrs D Hoult

Chair



Ms L Favager

Treasurer



Dr MHB Thomas

Secretary

Date: 24.11.23

THE WOOBURN SINGERS

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE WOOBURN SINGERS

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Wooburn Singers (the Charity) for the year ended 31 July 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

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

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do 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 financial statements to be reached.



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Dated: 24/11/23

THE WOOBURN SINGERS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

		Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total 2022 £
	Notes				
<u>Income from:</u>					
Donations and legacies		9,228	6,800	16,028	10,435
Charitable activities		20,652	-	20,652	14,425
Total income		<u>29,880</u>	<u>6,800</u>	<u>36,680</u>	<u>24,860</u>
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Charitable activities	3	<u>29,467</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,467</u>	<u>29,632</u>
Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds		413	6,800	7,213	(4,772)
Fund balances at 1 August 2022		<u>15,368</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,368</u>	<u>20,140</u>
Fund balances at 31 July 2023		<u><u>15,781</u></u>	<u><u>6,800</u></u>	<u><u>22,581</u></u>	<u><u>15,368</u></u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

THE WOOBURN SINGERS

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 JULY 2023


	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
Current assets					
Debtors	6	1,438		-	
Cash at bank and in hand		21,393		16,289	
		<u>22,831</u>		<u>16,289</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year					
	7	(250)		(921)	
Net current assets			<u>22,581</u>		<u>15,368</u>
Income funds					
Restricted funds		6,800		-	
Unrestricted funds		<u>15,768</u>		<u>15,368</u>	
			<u>22,581</u>		<u>15,368</u>
			<u>22,581</u>		<u>15,368</u>

A restricted fund for Choral Scholarship was established during the course of the year. The scholarship programme provides ensemble vocal training and individual coaching for young singers aged 17-25.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 24.11.23


Mrs D Hoult
Chair


Ms L Favager
Treasurer


Dr MHB Thomas
Secretary

THE WOOBURN SINGERS

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The Wooburn Singers is a charity providing to educate the public in the arts and sciences and in particular the art and science of music.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charity's [governing document], the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019). The Charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the Charity.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the Charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the Charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

THE WOOBURN SINGERS

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

THE WOOBURN SINGERS

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

3 Charitable activities

	2023	2022
	£	£
Cost of programmes	468	686
Conductor's fees and expenses	3,128	3,086
Musicians' fees	4,760	6,364
Venue hire	2,405	1,705
Music hire / purchase	1,976	2,599
Publicity, programme printing	194	176
PRS fees	369	9
Rehearsal costs	12,994	12,732
Sundry expenses	3,173	2,275
	<u>29,467</u>	<u>29,632</u>
	<u>29,467</u>	<u>29,632</u>

4 Employees

There were no employees during the year.

5 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

6 Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	1,388	-
Prepayments and accrued income	50	-
	<u>1,438</u>	<u>-</u>

THE WOOBURN SINGERS

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

7 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Deferred income	8	-	155
Other creditors		100	-
Accruals and deferred income		150	766
		<u>250</u>	<u>921</u>

8 Deferred income

	2023 £	2022 £
Other deferred income	-	155
	<u>-</u>	<u>155</u>

Deferred income is included in the financial statements as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
Deferred income is included within:		
Current liabilities	-	155
	<u>-</u>	<u>155</u>
Movements in the year:		
Deferred income at 1 August 2022	155	6,525
Released from previous periods	(155)	(6,370)
	<u>-</u>	<u>155</u>
Deferred income at 31 July 2023	-	155
	<u>-</u>	<u>155</u>

9 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2022 - none).

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THE WOOBURN SINGERS (registered charity no. 287969)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2020

The Trustees present the accounts of The Wooburn Singers for the financial year ended 31 July 2020 together with the report of the independent examiner.

The financial position of the choir remains satisfactory with adequate cumulative Capital Accounts funds available for the choir's purposes as governed by its constitution and as a charitable organisation in the arts/culture sector.

TRUSTEES

The following were Trustees during the year:

R A K Maidment	Chair
T R James	Treasurer
M H B Thomas	Secretary

There were no transactions between the Trustees and connected persons and the choir during the year other than the payment by Trustees of subscriptions at the rate that applied to all choir members and the reimbursement of properly incurred choir expenses.

On behalf of the Trustees

R A K Maidment
Chair
15 May 2021

WOOBURN SINGERS**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE: YEAR ENDING 31 JULY 2020**

	2019/20	2018/19
	£	£
INCOME		
Members' subscriptions	7,815	7,495
Gift Aid	1,560	1,614
Ticket and programme sales	10,458	17,798
Advertising income	640	905
Grants & Sponsorship	1,640	1,140
Paid engagements	705	1,470
Choir fundraising dinner	903	707
Sundry income	2,298	3,838
	26,019	34,967
EXPENDITURE		
Cost of Programmes	(394)	(661)
Conductor's fees and expenses	(2,548)	(3,630)
Musicians' fees	(3,134)	(3,687)
Soloists' fees	(600)	(2,100)
Instrument hire	-	(684)
Venue hire	(1,374)	(2,181)
Music hire / purchase	(1,384)	(1,204)
Publicity, programme printing	(107)	(170)
PRS fees	(125)	(366)
Rehearsal costs	(10,825)	(11,213)
Sundry expenses	(1,247)	(1,179)
	(21,738)	(27,075)
SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	4,281	7,892

**WOOBURN SINGERS
BALANCE SHEET**

	As at 31 July:	2020 £	2019 £
CAPITAL ACCOUNT			
Balance at 1st August 2019 (2018)		18,317	10,425
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year		4,281	7,892
Balance at 31 July 2020 (2019)		22,598	18,317
Represented by:			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at Bank:			
deposit account		6,097	6,067
current a/c		25,270	19,598
Debtors & accrued income		150	
Prepaid Expenditure		667	107
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Deferred Income		(6,560)	(1,575)
Creditors & accrued expenditure		(3,026)	(5,880)
		22,598	18,317

Independent examiners report to the trustees of Wooburn Singers

I report on the financial statements of the Wooburn Singers for the period ended 31 July 2020, which are set out below.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. These have been prepared in accordance with the Charity Commission guidance "Charity reporting and accounting: the essentials March 2015", published 27 March 2015 (reference <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/charity-reporting-and-accounting-the-essentials-march-2015-cc15c/charity-reporting-and-accounting-the-essentials-march-2015#legal-requirements-for-annual-reports>). This document references the 1993, 2008 and 2011 Charities Acts.

In accordance with this guidance note, the charity's trustees consider that an independent examination of the accounts is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the financial statements as prescribed under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act and
- To state where particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 you as 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 statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - To keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - To prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or

- 2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed

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Janet M Hart FCA
Shawlands
Water End Road
Berkhamsted
HP4 2SH

Date: ...15 May 2021.....