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# **Newton Abbot and District Musical Comedy Society**

Reference and Administration Details

Year Ended 31 May 2025

## **Registered Charity Number**

291487

## **Trustees**

Jeff Hocking

Sarah Oxenham

Claire Watson

Deborah Boylan

Valerie Chapman

Richard Ward

John Amery

Claire Holden

Sarah Thorpe

Elizabeth Law

Gillian Loder

Kirsty Blackler-Hinks

Pauline Robinson

Secretary

President/Chairman

Treasurer

Vice Chairman

Appointed August 2025

Appointed August 2025

Appointed September 2024

Appointed September 2024

Appointed August 2024

## **Principal Address**

NADMCS

The Green Rooms

Chapel Hill

Newton Abbot

TQ12 2NB

## **Professional Advisors**

### **Bankers:**

Lloyds Bank plc

41 Courtenay Street

Newton Abbot

Devon

TQ12 2QW

### **Independent Examiner:**

Ryan Prynne ACCA CTA

Francis Clark LLP

Chartered Accountants

Sigma House

Oak View Close

Edginswell Park

Torquay

Devon

TQ2 7FF

### **Legal Advisor:**

Wollens

At Harbourside

67 The Terrace

Torquay

TQ1 1DP

# **Newton Abbot and District Musical Comedy Society**

## **Members' (Trustees) Annual Report**

Year Ended 31 May 2025

The members present the report and accounts of Newton Abbot and District Musical Comedy Society for the year ended 31 May 2024.

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The Newton Abbot and District Musical Comedy Society is a charity registered with the Charity Commission under reference number 291487. It is governed by a set of Rules and managed by a committee appointed under those rules.

The Society is run according to its Rules and Objectives first adopted 25 February 1985 and amended 13 July 1998.

Members of the Committee (trustees) must be fully paid-up members of the Society and are elected on to the Committee by the other Members at the Annual General Meeting.

### **Organisation**

A general committee administers the Society. The committee has met at regular monthly intervals to discuss the general running of the society, social events and plans for the future.

### **Risk**

The members have examined the strategic, business, and operational risks which the Society faces and confirm that systems have been established to enable internal reports to be produced so that the necessary steps can be taken to mitigate these risks. In particular a child protection policy is in place.

### **Objectives**

The objectives of the Society are:

- To promote the education of the public in the dramatic and operatic arts, to further the development of the public appreciation and its taste in the said arts
- To assist and further such charitable institutions and charitable purposes as the committee shall from time to time determine.

In planning our activities for the year at trustees meeting we kept in mind the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit. The Society has no specific area of benefit and operates within the Newton Abbot area of Devon, involving as many people who wish regardless of personal background, faith, gender or personal circumstances.

### **Achievements and Performance**

The society organised the following performances:

Summer Concert	July 2024
NEWTS Xmas Concert	December 2024
Legally Blonde The Musical	October 2024
Robin Hood & The Babes in the Wood	January 2025

# **Newton Abbot and District Musical Comedy Society**

Members' (Trustees) Annual Report

Year Ended 31 May 2025

## **Financial Review**

The overall deficit for the year was £14,015 (2024: deficit £612), reflecting increased capital expenditure.

## **Fundraising Activities**

The lottery continued to be successful and raised £774 (2024: £680) in the year. This is included within the Green Room.

Overall, the social account for the year showed a surplus of £62 (2024: £135).

The rent of the Green Room to the play group also assists in the funding of the Society.

## **Reserve Policy**

Total cash reserves at 31 May 2025 were £12,187 (2024: £26,200). The reserves are held to cover future costs of the Society in general productions that it performs.

## **Future Plans**

Future productions for 2025/26 were to include the NEWTS Summer concert in July 2025, Anything Goes the musical in October 2025, NEWTS Xmas Concert in December 2025 and Dick Whittington in January 2026.

## **Signed on behalf of the Trustees**

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P J Amery

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R Ward

## **Newton Abbot and District Musical Comedy Society**

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Newton Abbot and District Musical Comedy Society

Year Ended 31 May 2025

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Newton Abbot and District Musical Comedy Society for the year ended 31 May 2025.

### **Responsibilities and Basis of Report**

As trustees of the charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Charity is not required to be audited under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and is eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

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:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with s130 of the Charities Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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 to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Ryan Prynne ACCA CTA  
Independent Examiner  
Francis Clark LLP  
Chartered Accountants  
Sigma House  
Oak View Close  
Edginswell Park  
Torquay  
TQ2 7FF

Date:

# Newton Abbot and District Musical Comedy Society

## General Activities Receipts and Payments Account

Year Ended 31 May 2025

		2025	Unrestricted Funds
	Notes	£	2024
			£
<b>Receipts</b>			
Subscriptions	2	3,787	3,968
Income from performances	3	44,027	27,761
Social events		681	674
Hire		150	300
Interest on cash deposits		171	229
Sundry Income		24	-
Donations		643	-
<b>Total receipts</b>		<b>49,483</b>	<b>32,932</b>
<b>Payments</b>			
Cost of performances	4	39,584	24,474
Repairs and renewals		85	64
Scenery/props storage		528	528
Subscriptions and donations		449	418
Social events		619	539
NODA insurance for members		571	515
Printing, postage and stationery		16	48
Miscellaneous expenses		4,960	1,132
Professional fees		-	-
Accountancy fees		1,380	1,350
		<b>48,192</b>	<b>29,068</b>
<b>Capital expenditure</b>			
Personal mixers + distributor		8,500	1,180
Head mics		-	252
Card Reader		134	-
DMX Splitters		220	-
LED Stage Working Lights		56	-
Cables and Plugs		361	-
LED Par Lights and Barn Doors		4,891	-
		<b>14,162</b>	<b>1,432</b>
<b>Total payments</b>		<b>62,354</b>	<b>30,500</b>
<b>Net surplus/(deficit) for the year</b>		<b>(12,871)</b>	<b>2,432</b>
Accumulated Surplus at 1 June 2024		<b>163,721</b>	<b>161,289</b>
<b>Accumulated Surplus at 31 May 2025</b>		<b>150,850</b>	<b>163,721</b>

## Newton Abbot and District Musical Comedy Society

### Green Room Receipts and Payments Account

Year Ended 31 May 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Receipts</b>		
Hire	3,625	4,010
Utility charges to playgroup	2,796	2,598
Lottery income	2,944	2,900
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<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>9,365</b>	<b>9,508</b>
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<b>Payments</b>		
Repairs and renewals	1,904	4,649
Insurance	2,134	1,950
Utilities	4,006	2,786
Other	295	949
Lottery prize money	2,170	2,220
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<b>Total payments</b>	<b>10,509</b>	<b>12,554</b>
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<b>Net surplus/(deficit) for the year</b>	<b>(1,144)</b>	<b>(3,046)</b>
Accumulated Deficit at 1 June 2024	(137,521)	(134,475)
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<b>Accumulated Deficit at 31 May 2025</b>	<b>(138,665)</b>	<b>(137,521)</b>
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# Newton Abbot and District Musical Comedy Society

## Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Year Ended 31 May 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Monetary assets</b>		
Bank current account	1,482	3,528
Bank current account	3,117	2,247
Bank deposit account	7,584	20,413
Cash	4	12
	<u>12,187</u>	<u>26,200</u>
<b>Assets</b>		
YMCA premises at valuation	920,000	920,000
Shown at investments value 2018 rebuild value	<u>920,000</u>	<u>920,000</u>

	General Funds	Green Room Funds	2025 Total	2024 Total
	£	£	£	£
Keyboard	2,520	-	2,520	2,520
Sound desk	3,275	-	3,275	3,275
Lighting desk, dimmers and spotlights	14,251	-	14,251	14,251
Radio microphones and head microphones	885	-	885	885
Back cloths	4,250	-	4,250	4,250
Music stands, scrollers	2,778	-	2,778	2,778
Speakers	1,085	-	1,085	1,085
Communications system	5,544	-	6,724	5,544
Chairs for hall	-	2,390	2,390	2,390
CD player for hall	-	86	86	86
Hoover	120	-	120	120
Projector and cables	1,112	-	1,112	1,112
Thermal ticket printer	310	-	310	310
Projector shutters	278	-	278	278
LED lighting batons and cables	469	-	469	469
LED Strip lights	368	-	368	368
Microphones	286	-	286	286
Wireless comms x2	1,500	-	1,500	1,500
Network cable	37	-	37	37
Smoke machines	600	-	600	600
Connection box	566	-	566	566
Personal mixers and distributor	1,180	-	1,180	1,180
Head mics	252	-	252	252
Card Reader	134	-	134	-
DMX Splitters	220	-	220	-
LED Stage Working Lights	56	-	56	-
Cables and Plugs	361	-	361	-
LED Par Lights and Barn Doors	4,891	-	4,891	-
S/H Moving Lights	8,500	-	8,500	-
	<u>58,304</u>	<u>2,476</u>	<u>58,304</u>	<u>44,142</u>

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## Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Year Ended 31 May 2025

	2025	2024
<b>Debtors</b>		
Rent	300	300
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<i>No other material assets are held by the Society.</i>		
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Due within 1 year		
Examiners Fees	1,410	1,410
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Approved by the Committee on .....2025

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Member

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Member

# Newton Abbot and District Musical Comedy Society

## Notes and Accounting Policies

Year Ended 31 May 2025

### 1 Accounting Policies

- a) The accounts have been prepared on the 'receipts and payments' basis.
- b) Receipts and payments are allocated between funds as appropriate.

2 Subscriptions	2025 £	2024 £
Senior Members' Annual Subscriptions	1,329	1,180
NEWTS Annual Subscriptions	245	245
NEWTS Weekly Subscriptions	2,213	2,543
	<u>3,787</u>	<u>3,968</u>

### 3 Performances

	Income £	Expenditure £	Surplus/ (Deficit) £
NEWT Summer Concert	528	507	21
NEWT Christmas Concert	731	800	(69)
Legally Blonde	16,701	18,173	(1,472)
NEWT Peter Pan	8,273	9,563	(1,290)
Pantomime	17,794	10,541	7,253
	<u>44,027</u>	<u>39,584</u>	<u>4,443</u>

### 4 Analysis of Show Expenditure

	2025 £	2024 £
Theatre/Set Hire	2,403	1,450
Costumes and make up	2,056	2,210
Royalties and scripts	4,739	1,331
Orchestra/band	5,765	1,100
Fees	6,319	2,535
Advertising/programmes etc.	1,691	752
Scenery/light/sound	14,181	11,787
Other	2,430	3,309
	<u>39,584</u>	<u>24,474</u>

## Newton Abbot and District Musical Comedy Society

Notes and Accounting Policies

Year Ended 31 May 2025

### 5 Expenses

The following fees and expenses have been paid/reimbursed to Committee members.

	<b>Fees</b>	<b>Reimbursed</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>Expenses</b>
		<b>£</b>
Productions costs	-	4,625
Personal	-	185
Sundries	-	476
Green Room – Other	-	125
Social	-	271
Repairs	-	44
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	-	<b>5,726</b>
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Trustees also take part in the Lottery on the same terms as other members of the society.