

**Charity Number: 298591**

**MOULTON PLAYERS  
ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2022**

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REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE  
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**LIST OF OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS**

**YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2022**

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**Charity Number:** 298591

**Registered Office:** Moulton Theatre  
10 Cross Street  
Moulton  
Northampton  
NN3 7RZ

**Trustees:** Chair- Richard Varley (to 09/21)  
Lee Winston (09/21-11/21)  
Matthew Gundel (from 11/21)  
Vice-Chair - David Downham (to 09/21)  
Ray Clifford (from 09/21)  
Treasurer - Cathy Chaplin  
Secretary - Susan Harrison  
Raymond Cole (to 04/22)  
Patricia Downham (to 04/22)  
Ann Parkinson (to 04/22)  
Jane Lanchbury (to 04/22)  
Lynne Varley (from 04/22)  
Jacqui Coleman (from 04/22)  
Louise Drage (from 04/22)  
Gareth Aggett (from 04/22)  
Matthew Gundel (from 04/22)

**Bankers:** Co-operative Bank  
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**Independent Examiners:** Lorraine Scullion MAAT  
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**Structure, Governance & Management**

The Charity is governed by its constitution and is managed by the Trustees.

Officers are nominated by members and votes cast in the four weeks prior to the AGM. Officers are elected for one year with the exception of the Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary who remain in post for three years. The Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer have to be full participating members for at least five years prior to nomination, the requirement for other roles is one year. During 2021-2022 there were a number of changes in trustees and management some of which fell outside the annual election timetable but due process was adhered to. There is no formal induction process but training and support is provided by the Chairperson and other committee members.

**Objectives and Activities**

To provide an amateur theatre and community venue. To promote advancement and improvement in the art of drama and the development of public appreciation of such art.

The theatre annually selects a programme of 5 plays, auditions and selects a cast, obtains backstage and technical support, rehearses and performs to a paying audience.

Films are shown when the theatre is available for use between productions. Social events for members and their guests take place on a monthly basis throughout the year.

**Public Benefit**

**Statement:**

The Theatre provides a social and arts venue within Moulton and the surrounding area which is open to members and the general public.

**Financial Review**

During the financial year August 2021 to July 2022, expenses incurred were £31,040.00 against a total income received of £25,357.00. The majority of the income came from ticket sales from the four productions staged since the theatre re-opened and from bar and coffee morning sales. Expenditure was focussed on staging productions, providing adequate insurance and property maintenance. The freehold premises were revalued in February 2016 by Chown Commercial Chartered Surveyors with a market value of £250,000. A re-valuation, including rebuild costs, is due to be undertaken for insurance purposes.

**Reserves Policy**

The current reserve policy is to maintain sufficient cash flow for known commitments.



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**Achievements and Performance**

Following the lifting of restrictions the theatre was able to launch it's first post Covid production in November. The aptly titled 'Gasping' followed by three more plays, was welcomed and praised by all who attended. Whilst sell out performances weren't always achieved the attendance was still very good and marked a return to 'business as usual'.

The normal monthly events for members and their guests on Final Fridays were also reinstated from September.

The building had not been allowed to deteriorate as a result of prolonged closure and the rota to check the premises, run taps etc. and to ensure all necessary servicing was carried out meant that the theatre was ready to open once a good Spring clean was carried out!

**Plans for the future**

Our broad aims and objectives remain the same, (see below), but this year there has to be continued effort put in to encourage the return of past and existing members and to bolstering finances following the prolonged closure and nervousness of some members due to the pandemic.

Continued focus on administration and effective management.

Increased focus on profit, the emphasis being on ensuring sell out productions thus increasing bar revenue and membership.

To review and amend the constitution to provide greater flexibility for ongoing management.

To review admission prices and membership subscriptions and to adjust them as appropriate.

To maintain and build up separate reserves and current accounts – one for longer term projects and the other for general income and expenditure.

To continue to address remaining external building deterioration issues.

To build on the strength of the existing membership by encouraging new members to contribute through learning and assisting with a variety of roles. The current and future success of the Players relies on the input of volunteers in all aspects of managing the premises and staging of productions.

This report was approved by the trustees at the Annual General Meeting held on 30th September 2022 and signed on their behalf.



Matthew Gundel

Chair

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022, which are set out on the attached pages 5 to 10.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and section 4(1)(c) of the Charities Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.
- 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 of 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 accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act, with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charitieshave 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.



Lorraine Scullion MAAT  
8<sup>th</sup> October 2022

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2021 £
<b>Income from:</b>							
Donations and legacies		235	-	235	522	-	522
Charitable Activities	1	25,109	-	25,109	351	-	351
Investments		13	-	13	53	-	53
Other		-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>25,357</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>25,357</b>	<b>926</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>926</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>							
Raising funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable Activities	2	31,190	-	31,190	18,128	-	18,128
Other		-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>31,190</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>31,190</b>	<b>18,128</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>18,128</b>
<b>Net Income/ (expenditure)</b>		<b>(5,833)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(5,833)</b>	<b>(17,202)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(17,202)</b>
Transfer between fund		-	-	-	-	-	-
Unrealised Gain		-	-	-	-	-	-
Total funds brought forward		266,545	-	266,545	283,747	-	283,747
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>260,712</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>260,712</b>	<b>266,545</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>266,545</b>

All income and expenditure derives from continuing activities.

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




**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 JULY 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<b>ASSETS:</b>					
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<b>3</b>	212,694	-	212,694	218,206
<b>Current Assets</b>					
Sundry Debtors	4	2,488	-	2,488	1,953
Stock	5	304	-	304	-
Cash at Bank	6	45,626	-	45,626	46,636
		48,418	-	48,418	48,589
<b>Creditors</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(400)	-	(400)	(250)
		(400)	-	(400)	(250)
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		48,018	-	48,018	48,339
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		260,712	-	260,712	266,545

	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 31.07.22	Total 31.07.21
<b>FUNDS</b>					
Unrestricted Funds	8	260,712	-	260,712	266,545
		260,712	-	260,712	266,545

Approved by the trustees at a committee meeting held on 30th September 2022  
and signed on their behalf:

  
Matthew Gundel Chair



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## PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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### **Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice SORP (FRS 102), Accounting and Reporting by Charities issues in January 2019, applicable UK Accounting Standards and the Charities Act 2011.

### **Ultimate Controlling Party**

Moulton Players is a registered charity controlled and managed by the Management Committee/Trustees individually named in the Annual Report.

### **Fixed Assets**

Capital Materialisation level is set at £1,000

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost of tangible fixed assets. The straight line method has been adopted.

Freehold Building	2%
Short life assets	50%
Furniture & Equipment	25%

### **Income**

Income is brought into account on a receivable basis.

### **Intangible Income**

Intangible income, in the form of donated facilities and voluntary help etc., is not included in the financial statements since it is not considered practicable to quantify such income.

### **Expenditure**

Expenditure is stated inclusive of value added tax, and is brought into account in the year in which it is due. Costs are allocated to functional headings on the bases of direct costs plus overheads on a fair and reasonable estimated basis.

### **Pensions**

The charity has no employees at this time

### **Reserves**

The current reserve policy is to maintain sufficient cash flow for known commitments, and the replacement of certain assets.

### **Risk**

The trustees do not believe the charity is subject to any substantial risk beyond the liabilities disclosed in its Annual Report and Accounts.

The organisation has public, employer liability insurance to protect the Charity in case of a claim.

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	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<b>1 Charitable Activities</b>				
Ghost Train	3,422	-	3,422	-
See How They Run	3,567	-	3,567	-
Entertaining Angels	3,145	-	3,145	-
Gasping	3,670	-	3,670	-
Other Income:				
Subscriptions	2,691	-	2,691	351
Bar & Coffee	7,221	-	7,221	-
Theatre Hire	665	-	665	-
Fundraising	728	-	728	-
	<b>25,109</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>25,109</b>	<b>351</b>

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<b>2 Charitable Activities</b>				
<b>Productions:</b>				
Ghost Train	1,324	-	1,324	-
Entertaining Angels	1,161	-	1,161	-
39 Steps	118	-	118	-
And Then There Were None	-	-	-	128
See How They Run	1,094	-	1,094	-
Gasping	1,115	-	1,115	-
<b>Administration Costs:</b>				
Donation to Village Festival	-	-	-	50
Licences, Fees and LTG	322	-	322	220
Postage, Printing, Stationery	937	-	937	635
Bar Expenses	2,962	-	2,962	376
Other Costs	220	-	220	24
Depreciation	5,512	-	5,512	1,636
<b>Maintenance Costs:</b>				
Insurance	3,837	-	3,837	4,255
Utilities	2,986	-	2,986	2,828
Cleaning	10	-	10	24
Equipment R&M	1,072	-	1,072	-
Property R&M	8,122	-	8,122	7,702
<b>Governance Costs:</b>				
Independent Examination	398	-	398	250
	<b>31,190</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>31,190</b>	<b>18,128</b>

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**3 Fixed Assets**

	<b>Fixtures &amp; Fittings</b>	<b>Land and Buildings</b>	<b>Total 2022</b>	<b>Total 2021</b>
	£	£	£	£
At 1 August 2021	18,225	250,000	268,225	265,509
Additions	-	-	-	2,716
Revaluation	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 July 2022	18,225	250,000	268,225	268,225

**Depreciation**

At 1 August 2021	16,188	33,831	50,019	48,383
Charge in year	679	4,833	5,512	1,636
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 July 2022	16,867	38,664	55,531	50,019

**Net Book Value**

At 31 July 2022			<b>212,694</b>	
At 31 July 2021				<b>218,206</b>

Property revalued February 2016 at £250,000

**4 Debtors**

	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>Total 2022</b>	<b>Total 2021</b>
	£	£	£	£
Sundry	1,210	-	1,210	702
Pre-paid	1,278	-	1,278	1,251
	<b>2,488</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,488</b>	<b>1,953</b>

**5 Stock**

Bar Stock	304	-	304	-
	<b>304</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>-</b>

**6 Cash at Bank**

	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>Total 2022</b>	<b>Total 2021</b>
	£	£	£	£
Co-operative Bank Accounts	45,377	-	45,377	46,461
Cash Floats	249	-	249	175
	<b>45,626</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>45,626</b>	<b>46,636</b>

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**7 Creditors amounts falling due within one year**

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Other Creditors	-	-	-	-
Accruals	(400)	-	(400)	(250)
	<b>(400)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(400)</b>	<b>(250)</b>

**8 Unrestricted Funds**

	Opening Balance 01.08.21 £	Movement In £	Movement Out £	Transfer between funds £	Closing Balance 31.07.22 £
General Reserve	231,305	25,357	(31,190)	-	225,472
Designated Reserve - Projects	35,240	-	-	-	35,240
	<b>266,545</b>	<b>25,357</b>	<b>(31,190)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>260,712</b>

**9 Trustees and employees**

There are no employees

During the year, the trustees received no remuneration, (2021:£nil) The total expenses reimbursed to the trustees amounts to £nil, (2021:£nil).

**10 Ultimate Controlling Party**

The Charity is controlled by the board of Trustees who are listed in the Trustees' Annual Report