



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date			T o	Period end date		
	1	1	2024		12	12	2024
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Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Bury Athenaeum

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

521057

Charity's principal address

Moss Street

Bury

Lancashire

Postcode

BL9 0DF

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Neville Edmondson	President		Elected annually by the body of the membership as a whole
2	Robert Sloss	Vice- President		Ditto
3	Suzanne Kendall	Hon. Secretary		Ditto
4	Janet Gander	Hon. Treasurer		Ditto
5	Andrew Gill			"
6	Pauline Standbridge			"

7 David Thomas “

8 Kathleen Tonks “

9 Stuart Mahon “

10 Tom Wilson

11 Ruth Leaver “

12 Kathleen Bray

13 Ray Squire “

14 Joan Abbott “

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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name

Dates acted if not for whole year

Official Custodian of Charities -
Holding Trustee

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser Name Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Trust Deed supplemented by a Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Unincorporated Charitable Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected annually by the membership

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The charity's objective is the diffusion of knowledge for the moral , intellectual and cultural benefit of the residents of Bury and its vicinity.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

To meet these objectives, the charity facilitates a wide range of different activities. These currently include bridge , diverse board games, embroidery, philosophy, creative writing , canasta, mahjong , conversational French, music appreciation. German, scrabble, Cryptic cross word and a widows association. The charity actively seeks to expand the number of available activities.

Each year (dependent on the deemed level of any surplus income) the Trustees also make available funds for grants to other local charities who broadly meet its own charitable objectives. Over the years , a large number of different local charities have benefitted from these grants. During each year, specific charity events are also organised where the proceeds go to nominated local charities.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.



Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During the course of the year, one or more of the activities described above were taking place every weekday at the charity's premises , thereby providing a valuable outlet for Bury residents.. Over 450 residents took part in these activities.

Grants totalling £ 3300 were made to three different local charities including Friends of Radcliffe Allotments, Jigsaw and Moving on Together for bereaved carers.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Via its Holding Trustees, the charity has ownership of a Grade 2 listed building which dates back to the mid 19th century. Maintenance costs for such a building are potentially very high and accordingly the charity holds significant reserves to ensure that all potential future contingencies can be met in full. For example, in recent times asbestos has had to be removed from a cellar area, outdated toilet facilities revamped and an old fire alarm system overhauled. The total cost from just these items alone was over £26,000. Possible significant (and costly) work on both the roof of the building and replacement of original wooden sash windows is foreseen in coming years.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The charity's principal sources of income are annual membership fees together with additional fees associated with participation in individual activities.

At their discretion, the Trustees can waive fees for young people and those experiencing hardship.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

John Neville Edmondson	
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Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

President

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Date

30/9/2025

BURY ATHENAEUM
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

INCOME 2024

Subscriptions	6,005.00
Activity	46,370.41
Charity events	
Trustees Cup	
Bury Hospice	
Other Charities	1,902.00
Children in Need	190.00

LCBA Teams of 8	0.00
Catering	214.33
Tuition	3,944.00
Room hire	3,800.00
Interest received	1,474.69
Other income	
TOTAL INCOME	63,900.43

EXPENDITURE

Insurance	4,953.60
LCBA subs	
Administration	274.16
Software subscription	750.79
Consumables	953.00
EBU Club Affiliation Fee	74.00
EBU P2P	6,880.36
EBU Director training	0.00
EBUTA Subs	0.00
Simultaneous pairs	0.00
LCBA teams of 8	0.00
Catering expenses	2,147.89
Xmas/NY/Cor events	657.25
Tuition	3,262.90
Repairs and renewals	697.57
Travel expenses	0.00
Cleaning	702.20
Premises expenses	4,262.84
IT	202.08
Cleaning service	11,003.20
Postage & Carriage	106.89
Legal fees	772.20
Services	
Waste dis	141.70
Water	1,137.51
Gas	2,916.51
Electricity	2,433.63
Postage	
Internet c	376.99
	7,006.34

BURY ATHENAEUM
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

INCOME 2023

Subscriptions	5,815.00
Activity	43,454.89
Charity events	
Trustees Cup	
Bury Hospice	594.00
Other Charities	1,967.00
Children in Need	185.00

LCBA Teams of 8	0.00
Catering	167.16
Tuition	4,076.00
Room hire	4,895.00
Interest received	241.58
Other income	88.41
TOTAL INCOME	61,484.04

EXPENDITURE

Insurance	4,868.58
LCBA subs	
Administration	481.06
Software subscription	349.20
Consumables	572.00
EBU Club Affiliation Fee	28.00
EBU P2P	6,645.32
EBU Director training	216.00
EBUTA Subs	45.00
Simultaneous pairs	0.00
LCBA teams of 8	0.00
Catering expenses	2,420.01
Xmas/NY/Cor events	1,039.58
Tuition	3,626.12
Repairs and renewals	1,044.61
Travel expenses	0.00
Cleaning	704.88
Premises expenses	22,080.30
IT	168.15
Cleaning service	8,930.67
Services	
Waste dis	141.70
Water	652.55
Gas	2,887.35
Electricity	3,468.18
Postage	
Internet c	339.29
	7,489.07

TOTAL EXPENDITURE 44,707.27

SURPLUS 19,193.16

Donations

Trustees	3,000.00
Bury Hospice	
Children in Need	190.00
Samaritans	1,744.00
Bury Cancer Care	720.00
Bury Blind Society	700.00

Total 6,354.00

NET PROFIT/LOSS FOR 12,839.16

BURY ATHENAEUM
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

2024

Skipton 2 Year Bon	30,004.06
Skipton 1 Year Bon	11,797.73
Lloyds TSB	16,063.52
Lloyds Savings Acc	20,178.51
Cash in Hand	60.82

78,104.64

Profit and Loss Res 65,265.48
Profit / Loss for Year 12,839.16

78,104.64

Hon Treasurer

J Cande

Auditor

James O'Connell

Trustees Yorkshire Building Society

£319.48

Figures supplied by N. Edmondson

TOTAL EXPENDITURE 60,708.55

SURPLUS 775.49

Donations

Trustees	2,000.00
Bury Hospice	
Children in Need	185.00
Samaritans	2,000.00

Total 4,185.00

NET PROFIT/LOSS FOR -3,409.51

BURY ATHENAEUM
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

2023

Skipton 2 Year Bon	29,073.70
Skipton 1 Year Bon	11,431.91
Lloyds TSB	24,703.17
Cash in Hand	56.70

65,265.48

Profit and Loss Res 68,674.99
Profit / Loss for Year -3,409.51

65,265.48

Hon Treasurer

J Cande

Auditor

James O'Connell

Trustees Yorkshire Building Society

£1,020.71

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Our Constitution does not require us to have an examiner's/auditor's report