

BTM Brass Band Trustees' Annual Report 2023-2024 (taken from AGM minutes (06/10/2024)

Jeff Hutcherson reflected on good results at the GBBA contest and the Regional Finals, and the band gaining Championship status once again. This will be a big step up for the band, and Jeff thanked the band for good attendance which is reflected in performance and results.

Jeff spoke about the progress the BTM Next Generation has made and thanked Lloyd Barnaby and his team for the hard work they have put in which has not gone unnoticed.

That's Brass needs to be re-launched, Jeff noted that the ensemble used to be the band's main income, however, this needs even more commitment from already busy players. We will need to revamp the music.

Jeff thanked individuals who have become more involved this year, and reflected on a positive principals' meeting recently.

Whilst Andrew Tossell took over as Acting Treasurer only a few months ago, he had prepared accounts in time for the meeting, and Claire Thomas had audited the accounts from records for 2023-2024, many thanks to her. Jeff thanked Andrew for his work so far:

Andrew described the difference between the income and expenditure – last year showed a loss of £15k approx. much of which was taken up by work on the building. Andrew talked about ways to increase income and decrease spending, he will look at claiming Gift Aid shortly. Andrew spoke about donations from players and their families and the need to increase these, he will look into claiming Gift Aid on them if possible. Andrew thanked Ceri James for her work on the 100 club and told the meeting that we are able to purchase uniforms with this money. Andrew encouraged band to join the 100 club and extend it to family and friends.

Jeff talked about the cost of building work this year which keeps the building fit for purpose into the future.

Jeff also spoke about our Safeguarding responsibilities which applies to both children and adults.

Aims for 2024-2025

Consolidate position in Championship Section

Consolidate financial position

*Jeff Hutcherson – Chairman and Trustee
Trevor Isaac – Vice-Chairman and Trustee*

October 2024

Income and Expenditure Statement
Year ended 31 May 2024

BTM Band

Income	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
100 Club donations	979.50		1,021.20	
Gifts	116.77		-	
50th Party takings	-		1,930.50	
Amazon Smile	-		63.98	
Charitable donations	-		25.00	
Band jobs	-		2,567.00	
Concert income	4,618.33		1,858.88	
Grants/sponsorship	11,455.00		-	
Fundraising	1,292.42		260.00	
Hire of Band Room	365.00		55.00	
Uniforms	95.00		-	
Refreshments	729.24		-	
Next Generation subs	3,339.00		3,717.00	
Pool Table	-		30.00	
Prize Money	250.00		1,015.00	
Rock Bands	520.00		260.00	
Senior Band subs	2,240.00		2,440.00	
Interest	856.21		246.13	
Book club	281.00		-	
		27,137.47		15,489.69
Cost of sales:				
Purchase Instruments		13,649.02		8,085.00
Gross profit		13,488.45		7,404.69
Expenditure:				
100 Club Prize money	305.80		507.00	
Accountant	300.00			
Adverts and Marketing	132.00		132.00	
Cleaning	880.00			
Bank fees	84.56		97.72	
Contest expenses	1,529.15		695.00	
Conductor Expenses	2,323.53		3,325.00	
Entertainment for 50th party			4,508.56	
Insurance	2,895.35		3,133.74	
IT software and consumables	-		481.40	
Utilities	1,529.46		1,170.56	
Music	296.01		140.00	
Photocopier	1,124.06		1,061.96	
Player expenses	250.00		330.00	
Player gifts	145.50		211.40	
Postage	6.85		5.55	
Printing Stationery/ equipment	181.00		499.04	
Refreshments	244.96		869.40	
Registration fees	34.00		210.00	
Staff training	-		25.00	
Studio Equipment	91.00		-	
Repairs and Maintenance Building	10,394.00		7,213.37	
Subscriptions	82.08		169.84	
Telephone and Internet	566.14		501.26	
Transport	1,182.27		2,924.51	
Tuition Fees	1,480.00		840.00	
TV licence	159.00		158.22	
Venue Hire	415.00		-	
Uniforms	582.00		1,237.35	
Water cooler	770.35		662.79	
		27,984.07		29,371.87
Loss for year		<u>- 14,495.62</u>		<u>- 21,967.18</u>

I have checked these accounts to source documents and the bank statements and agree these are accurate accounts. (Thomas 01/10/2024)

Examiner's Report – BTM Brass Band – 2023-2024

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The accounts show loss of £14,495.62 during this period, however, this was due mainly to extensive building and refurbishment work that was carried out to maintain the infrastructure and future proof the building.

I understand that the Society is looking for ways to cut costs and increase income for this reporting period and beyond.

Claire Thomas – Auditor – October 2024