

## **KENDAL CHORAL SOCIETY**

### **Trustees' annual report for the period 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025**

**Charity name:** Kendal Choral Society

**Registered charity number:** 1038259

**Charity's correspondence address:** c/o Mrs. J. Pittman, 57 Sandgate, Kendal, LA9 6HZ

#### **Charity's Trustees**

Linda Hunter Chair

Julia Pittman Treasurer

Virginia March

Richard Slater

**Governing document** Constitution, adopted 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023

The charity is an unincorporated association.

Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the Annual General Meeting.

The trustees and committee members oversee the running of the Society, with regular meetings during the year to make any necessary decisions.

The Society has a Privacy and Data Protection policy, and a Safeguarding policy.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The Society's constitution states that "The object of the Society shall be to promote, improve, maintain and develop public education in, and appreciation of, the art and science of music; by the presentation of public choral concerts and by cooperating with such other charitable bodies, voluntary organisations and statutory authorities working in the same field, as the Committee may from time to time approve".

For these purposes the Society presents two or three choral concerts per year. Sometimes we also put on a "Come and Sing" event, for people who are not members of our choir to join us in rehearsing and singing a particular piece of work. The aim of

this is so that people can become acquainted with works that they may not otherwise come across, and also that they can find out what it is like to sing with a choir.

### **Achievements of the charity during the year**

During the year, the Society staged two public concerts, as follows:

- 1) On 14<sup>th</sup> December 2024 we performed a Christmas Concert.  
This included works by Morten Lauridsen, Ola Gjeilo, Deitrich Buxtehude, John Rutter and Georg Friedrich Handel.  
The concert was performed by thirty-four members of the choir, and we were accompanied by a string quartet and an organist.
  
- 2) On 24<sup>th</sup> May 2025 we presented a performance of well-known opera choruses.  
These included pieces by many different composers, such as Purcell, Verdi, Gilbert and Sullivan, Bizet, Mozart, and others.  
The concert was performed by thirty-six members of the choir, and we were accompanied by a pianist.

### **The Charity's policy on reserves**

The Charity aims to provide sufficient funding for the year ahead by setting the subscriptions at a suitable level at the beginning of each financial year.

Cash at bank at 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025 was £984.95, and cash investments were £37,000.00.

### **Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature; *Julia Pittman*  
Full name: JULIA MAY PITTMAN  
Position: TREASURER, TRUSTEE  
Date: 30-01-2026

**Kendal Choral Society (Charity No: 1035829)**  
**Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 August 2025**

Income	31 August 2025			31 August 2024		
	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total
Subscriptions	£ -	£ 4,560.00	£ 4,560.00	£ -	£ 3,485.00	£ 3,485.00
Donations	£ -	£ 73.00	£ 73.00	£ 200.00	£ 583.17	£ 783.17
Fund Raising	£ -	£ 927.00	£ 927.00	£ -	£ 1,054.65	£ 1,054.65
Concerts	£ -	£ 3,726.17	£ 3,726.17	£ -	£ 2,712.20	£ 2,712.20
Loans of Music	£ -	£ 95.84	£ 95.84	£ -	£ 122.16	£ 122.16
Gift aid Reclaim	£ -	£ 704.07	£ 704.07	£ -	£ 374.31	£ 374.31
Dividend and Interest Received (Note 1)	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 503.21	£ 503.21
Legacy	£ -	£ 37,333.32	£ 37,333.32	£ -	-	£ -
Grants	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 1,400.00	£ 1,400.00
Miscellaneous	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 3.00	£ 3.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£ -</b>	<b>£ 47,419.40</b>	<b>£ 47,419.40</b>	<b>£ 200.00</b>	<b>£ 10,237.70</b>	<b>£ 10,437.70</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>						
Conductor & Accompanist Fees	£ -	£ 5,384.00	£ 5,384.00	£ -	£ 4,760.00	£ 4,760.00
Rehearsal Venue Hire	£ -	£ 1,620.00	£ 1,620.00	£ -	£ 770.00	£ 770.00
Concerts Expenses	£ -	£ 3,932.29	£ 3,932.29	£ -	£ 2,893.95	£ 2,893.95
Donations	£ -	£ 440.00	£ 440.00	£ -	£ 25.00	£ 25.00
Administration Expenses	£ -	£ 36.35	£ 36.35	£ -	£ 136.86	£ 136.86
Insurance and PRS Fees	£ -	£ 381.15	£ 381.15	£ -	£ 303.30	£ 303.30
Miscellaneous (Note 2)	£ 200.00	£ 1,293.57	£ 1,493.57	£ -	£ 329.69	£ 329.69
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£ 200.00</b>	<b>£ 13,087.36</b>	<b>£ 13,287.36</b>	<b>£ -</b>	<b>£ 9,218.80</b>	<b>£ 9,218.80</b>
<b>Excess of Income Over Expenditure</b>	<b>£ (200.00)</b>	<b>£ 34,332.04</b>	<b>£ 34,132.04</b>	<b>£ 200.00</b>	<b>£ 1,018.90</b>	<b>£ 1,218.90</b>
<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Total</b>
Brought forward	£ 200.00	£ 3,652.91	£ 3,852.91		£ 2,634.01	£ 2,634.01
Excess of Income Over Expenditure	£ (200.00)	£ 13,087.36	£ 12,887.36	£ 200.00	£ 1,018.90	£ 1,218.90
Carried forward	£ -	£ 16,740.27	£ 16,740.27	£ 200.00	£ 3,652.91	£ 3,852.91
<b>Represented by:</b>						
Cash at Bank			£ 984.95			£ 3,852.91
Cash Investments (Note 1)			£ 37,000.00			£ -
			<b>£ 37,984.95</b>			<b>£ 3,852.91</b>

The Notes on page 2 form part of this Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025

**Kendal Choral Society (Charity No: 1035829)**

**Notes to the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025**

Note 1. No dividend or interest income has been received in the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025. The interest and dividend generating deposits were liquidated in the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024. New investments were not made until after February 2025 and no interest was received until after the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025.

Note 2. Miscellaneous Expenses includes the cost of staging of £1,180.80. This was partly funded by restricted donations received in the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024 amounting to £200.00

**Signed on behalf of the Trustees:**

*Julia Pittman*

Julia Pittman

Trustee and Treasurer

Date: 18.01.26

Linda Hunter

*Linda Hunter*

Trustee and Chair

Date: 15.01.26

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Kendal Choral Society**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Kendal Choral Society (the Trust) for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

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

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material 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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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 accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Name: Terence J Simpkin A.C.A

Member of the Institute of Chartered accounts in England and Wales (Membership No: 7238526)

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Date: 19.01.26