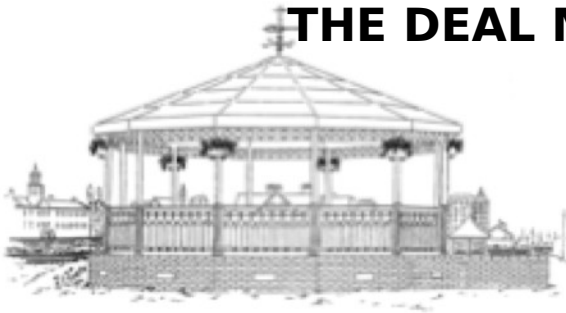


THE DEAL MEMORIAL BANDSTAND TRUST



23 July 2024

TRUSTEE REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2023

1. The Deal Memorial Bandstand Trust is a Registered Charity that exists to maintain and operate the Deal Memorial Bandstand, Walmer Green, Deal, Kent as a living memorial to the 11 members of His Majesty's Royal Marines Band Service who lost their lives in an improvised bomb explosion at Deal Barracks on 22 September 1989.

Deal Memorial Bandstand Trust (DMBT), Registered Charity N° 1045095, can be contacted at the following address

Mr Paul Rutterford
Honorary Secretary
3 Colmanton Grove
Sholden
Deal
CT14 0FF
E-mail: secretary@dealbandstand.org

The Trustees are:

Mr Derek Lindars (Chair)

Mr Andrew Cornish (Vice Chair)

Mr Paul Rutterford (Secretary)

Mr David Gollop (Treasurer)

2. The Charity is administered in conformity with the provisions of a written deed, or constitution, by the Committee of Management. Trustees are recruited from the local community based on the candidate having appropriate skills and experience, and selection is based on merit. Trustees are elected each year at the Annual General Meeting.

Both Trustees and Committee members are volunteers and, as such, are unpaid. The Structure of the Committee is:

4 x Trustees

6 to 10 x Committee Members

The Memorial Bandstand ('the Trust Property') demised by the Lease shall be held upon trust to provide and maintain the Bandstand for the use and benefit of the public so as to commemorate the Royal Marines who lost their lives at Deal on 22 September 1989. By

a Lease made between Dover District Council of the one part and the Trustees, Dover District Council has granted a lease of the land upon which the Bandstand has been built for a term of fifty years from 1993 at a rent of a peppercorn.

The Trustees carry on directly or through other entities such general business activity as they deem proper, including, but not limited to, the organisation of free live music concerts for the enjoyment of the general public. The Charity raises funds to support the on-going maintenance of the Bandstand and associated assets and to engage Bands to perform on the Bandstand.

3. During the year 2023, the DMBT organised 18 concerts by engaging Brass and Wind Bands from the south east area. Each concert attracted an audience of approximately 120 members of the public for the free concerts.

On 9th July 2023, the HM Royal Marines Band gave an outstanding concert on the Bandstand and carried out the annual service to rededicate the Bandstand as a Memorial. Approximately 5,000 members of the public attended this concert. Distinguished guests were also invited, including the families of those killed by the bombing, the Commandant General Royal Marines, the MP and local Councillors.

The Bandstand was also made available to the Town Council, and other fund raising and community activities that are appropriate with the objectives and ethos of the Bandstand. For the use of the Bandstand, donations are required. Examples of other community events include:

- The annual Cliff Top Challenge, a 55 mile ultra marathon and shorter distances, for the community to choose to run, in order to raise money for the charity, Breast Cancer Now. The event finishes at the Bandstand and bands play during the afternoon.
- Deal Pride held their first event on the Bandstand, with a series of bands playing to entertain the gathered community.

4. The 2023 concerts and other activities were successful and feedback from the public and Local Authorities was very positive. The Local Authorities provide grants to help with the significant costs of hosting the Royal Marines concert and, in order to receive the grants, the DMBT evidences the public benefit.
5. The Bandstand sits on Walmer Green on the sea front and the DMBT has a significant reserves policy that aims to rebuild the Bandstand should a very bad winter storm cause significant damage. The risk is low, because planned maintenance through the year ensure the Bandstand is able to withstand usual storms.

In 2023, overall the concerts realised a small surplus. A larger surplus was achieved at the end of the year because of (a) a financial gift left in a will; and, (b) a donation from the Walmer and Kingsdown Golf Club. No custodian Trustee holds any funds.

Derek Lindars
Chairman, Deal Memorial Bandstand Trust
23 July 2024

Charity No: 1045095

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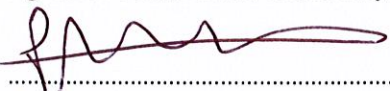
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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2023

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 October 2023.

REGISTERED CHARITY NO:	1045095
TRUSTEES:	D Lindars P Rutterford A Cornish
ADDRESS:	5 Grange Road DEAL CT14 9TS
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER:	I D Pascall FCA McCabe Ford Williams Charlton House Dour Street DOVER Kent CT16 1BL
GOVERNING DOCUMENT:	The Charity was registered on 21 March 1995 and is governed by a declaration of trust dated 28 February 1995.
APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES:	Trustees have been appointed on the basis of the relevant expertise that they can bring to the board.
ORGANISATION:	The board of trustees administers the Charity.
OBJECTS:	The objective of the Charity is to maintain the Deal Memorial Bandstand as a 'living' memorial to eleven musicians of the Royal Marines killed by a bomb on 22 September 1989. The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty as prescribed in the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.
ACTIVITIES:	The Charity organised a full season of live concerts at the Bandstand each Sunday from May to September 2023, with only a small number of events cancelled due to individual bands availability on the day. The annual memorial concert performed by Her Majesty's Royal Marines returned and was held on 9 July 2023 to a full audience on Walmer Green and remains the highlight of our concert series.
RESERVES POLICY:	The level of reserves at 31 October 2023 amounted to £79,228 (2022 - £68,477) The Trustees consider it necessary to maintain a level of reserves sufficient to cover the re-build costs of the Bandstand in the event of significant storm damage.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees by:


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P Rutterford

Dated 3rd April 2024


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D Lindars

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE DEAL MEMORIAL BANDSTAND TRUST**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the financial statements of the Deal Memorial Bandstand Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 October 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable 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 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 financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.



I D Pascall FCA
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McCabe Ford Williams
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Date: 4 April 2024

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**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2023**

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
RECEIPTS				
Concerts, collections, and raffles	11,704	-	11,704	14,994
Donations	12,777	-	12,777	5,377
Sponsorship	8,300	-	8,300	6,300
Grants	-	1,200	1,200	5,500
Bank interest	477	-	477	13
Total receipts	33,258	1,200	34,458	32,184
PAYMENTS				
Bands - refreshments	261	-	261	132
Concert expenses	18,069	1,200	19,269	19,680
Council tax	389	-	389	649
Repairs and maintenance	1,733	-	1,733	9,243
Insurance and licenses	1,766	-	1,766	1,682
Printing, postage, and stationery	198	-	198	165
Marketing and website	1,548	-	1,548	1,021
Wreaths and flowers	500	-	500	962
Accountancy	408	-	408	384
Equipment purchases	-	-	-	104
Total payments	24,872	1,200	26,072	34,022
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	8,386	-	8,386	(1,838)
Bank and cash balances brought forward	68,885	-	68,885	70,723
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2023

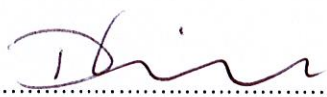
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Stock	2,383	-
Bank and cash funds		
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Total assets	79,654	68,885
Liabilities		
Sundry Creditors	£426	£408
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The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on.....



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Income which can only be used for restricted purposes, and its related expenditure, is accounted for as restricted funds. All other income and expenditure is accounted for as general funds.

Taxation

No provision is made in the accounts for taxation as the Trustees are of the opinion that all of the Trust's activities are of a charitable nature and therefore outside the scope of taxation.

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3. Restricted funds received in the year totalled £1,200 (2022 £5,500). Funds received from Kent County Council of £1,200 (2022 £2,200) were in respect of the hire of media equipment for the Royal Marines Concert which took place in July 2023. In the year ended 31 October 2022, restricted funds were also received from Dover District Council of £3,300 for repairs to the Bandstand.

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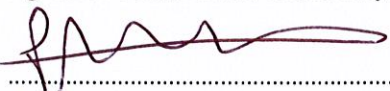
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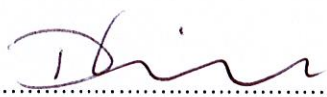
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