VIRTUOSI GUS BAND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

CHARITY REGISTERED NUMBER: 1170993

VIRTUOSI GUS BAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

Reference and administration details

Registered Charity No.	1170993
Principal Address	52 Pytchley Road Kettering NN15 6JA
Trustees	Jonathan Mott Nathan Waterman Mike Smith

Structure, governance and management

Governing Document	Constitution adopted December 2016
Constitution	Charitable Incorporated Organisation(CIO) registered 5th January 2017
Trustee selection method	Trustees are appointed at the annual general meeting

Objectives and Activities

Objects	The objects of the band are to entertain and educate the public in the musical arts and in particular the art of brass band playing and to further the development of public appreciation and taste by the performance of concerts and other activities.

The objective of The GUS Band is to further the study, practice and encouragement of Brass Band Music in all forms in order to foster public knowledge and appreciation of such music by means of public performances or otherwise including training and education of brass players.

In addition to this The GUS Band aims to further the study, practice and encouragement of Brass Band Music in all forms to foster public knowledge and appreciation of such music by means of public performances or otherwise including training and education of brass players.

The Trustees are aware of the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 regarding the reporting of the public benefit of the charity.

The Trustees recognize that, for the accounting year ending 31st December 2025, the trustees report is required to include such a report.

In setting the charity's objectives and planning activities, the trustees and management have given consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and believe that the charity meets the public benefit requirement.

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Achievements and Performance

Over the last year the band competed in the following competitions:

09 Mar 2025.	The Midlands Area Championship Section Contest, Bedworth Civic Hall,. Placed 1st.
10 May 2025.	The British Open Grand Shield Contest, The Winter Gardens, Blackpool. Placed 10 th.
11 Oct 2025.	The National Brass Band Championships Finals, at The Royal Albert Hall, South Kensington. Placed 12th.
15 Nov 2025.	Brass in Concert competition, Gateshead Glass House theatre. Placed 4th.

As well as competitions the Band have put on Concerts locally around Northamptonshire and have appeared across the country by invitation.

The band's playing personnel continue to change year in year out, but the playing standard of the band is still maintained at the highest level. The players are all committed and dedicated to the future of brass banding.

FUTURE PLANS AND OBJECTIVES

Mission

To recruit into the band the finest brass band players available.
To develop young players to ensure continuity of top-class musicians.

Corporate aims

To run the Band ethically and responsibly, organising income streams from performance and merchandise sales so that the long-term future of the band is secured.
To present the band at public concerts where the audiences hear music that thrills and entertains them.

To enter the band at brass band music competitions so that they can test their musical skills against other leading bands.
To organise workshops where the skills of the players are used to inspire and encourage young brass players.
To promote the band throughout the UK and Internationally so that the band is invited to perform at prestigious concert halls and arenas.

There is no reserves policy

Declarations

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

Signature(s) _____

Print Name N Waterman

Date _____

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF VIRTUOSI GUS BAND

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31st December 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 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Dated ----------

Angela Parry

For and on behalf of:

Tove Accountancy Ltd

Office 6, Town Hall, 86 Watling Street East, Towcester, Northants, NN12 6BS

VIRTUOSI GUS BAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

	2025 Unrestricted Funds £	2025 Restricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
INCOME				
Donations	78,901	0	78,901	97,379
Gift aid	18,456	0	18,456	23,790
Concerts	20,524	0	20,524	20,263
Sponsorship	2,250	0	2,250	2,500
Events	0	0	0	0
FOH Sales	617	0	617	2,118
Prizes	1,346	0	1,346	5,025
100 Club	5,010	0	5,010	4,820
Miscellaneous	30	0	30	509
Easy Fundraising	18	0	18	17
Total incoming resources	**127,151**	**0**	**127,151**	**156,420**

	2025 Unrestricted Funds £	2025 Restricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
EXPENDITURE				
Conductors Fees	22,785	0	22,785	27,268
Rehearsal Hall Hire	8,585	0	8,585	8,470
Hotels Costs	12,715	0	12,715	11,373
Deputy players	810	0	810	1,806
Van Hire	2,204	0	2,204	3,216
Insurance	0	0	0	572
Contest entry and registration	1,060	0	1,060	1,225
Venue Hire	475	0	475	1,511
Event costs, books and licence fees	2,928	0	2,928	1,068
FOH Costs	0	0	0	705
Bank Charges	51	0	51	73
Instrument Costs	2,468	0	2,468	3,368
Registration Fees	191	0	191	220
Music	2,767	0	2,767	0
Advertising and Promotion	282	0	282	655
Miscellaneous	2,845	0	2,845	2,895
Joint Artists Fee	1,764	0	1,764	2,038
Examiners Fee	380	0	380	350
Uniforms	1,136	0	1,136	1,642
Members Travel	64,416	0	64,416	85,152
Depreciation	0	0	0	0
Total resources expended	127,860	0	127,860	153,607
Net Movement	(710)	0	(710)	2,813
Brought Forward	15,109	0	15,109	15,109
Movement	(710)	0	(710)	2,813
Carried Forward	**14,400**	**0**	**14,400**	**17,923**

VIRTUOSI GUS BAND
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2024

	Notes		2025		2024
Tangible Fixed Assets	2				
Equipment, Fixtures and Fittings			-		-
			-		-
Current Assets					
Bank Accounts		6,777		7,224	
Debtors		8,170		12,218	
Prepayments		1,250		615	
Other		-		-	
		16,197		20,057	
Current Liabilities					
Creditors		1,426		4,525	
Deferred Income		-		71	
Accruals		370		350	
		1,796		4,947	
Net Current Assets			14,400		15,109
Long Term Liabilities					
Amounts falling due within more than one year			-		-
Total assets less current liabilities			14,400		15,109
Capital funds					
Restricted funds	4		-		-
Unrestricted funds	5		14,400		15,109
Total Funds			14,400		15,109

The annexed notes form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

1. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and with the Charities Act 2011.

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Equipment
		£
Cost	01-Jan-25	25,800
Additions		0
Disposals		0
Cost at	31-Dec-25	25,800
Depreciation	01-Jan-25	25,800
Charge		0
Disposal		0
Depreciation at	31-Dec-25	25,800
Net Book Value	31-Dec-25	**0**
Net Book Value	31-Dec-24	**0**

3. PAYMENTS TO TRUSTEES

No trustees have been paid remuneration or have received other benefits from employment with the charity.

4. RESTRICTED FUNDS

There are no restricted funds currently held by the charity.

5. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	**2025**	**2024**
	£	**£**
Opening balance	15,109	12,296
Net funds for the year	- 710	2,813
Closing balance	**14,400**	**15,109**