Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
From	1	FEB	2025	To	31	January	2026

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	St Pauls Players
Other names charity is known by	Not applicable
Registered charity number (if any)	1182499
Charity's principal address	5 FIRCROFT ROAD
	CHESSINGTON
Postcode	**KT9 1RN**

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	Jan Hesse	Chairperson		Members
2	Amanda Williams	Producer		Members
3	Nick Williams	Treasurer		Members
4	Hannah Carter	Secretary		Members
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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
Not applicable	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Not applicable		

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

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation with Voting Members other than its Charity Trustees, signed by Trustees on 10 March 2019
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected by Members at the Annual General Meeting (AGM)

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.

We obtained Registered Charity Status on 19 March 2019.

We have clarified to every member our Safeguarding Policies for adults and children.

Every member has signed and agreed to a Code of Conduct.

Players has no commercial relationship with any related parties.

The main risks are considered to be:

(i) High inflation resulting in cost of living crisis - material reduction in ticket sales due to customers cutting back discretionary expenditure. Mitigation – obtain feedback after shows, ensure tickets are competitively priced and regularly review approach to sales and marketing.

(ii) Parish hall - availability of and/or significant increases in the rent payable, as used for rehearsals and performances. Mitigation – maintain good relationship with biggest supplier and provide voluntary support to parish hall to minimise maintenance costs and therefore future increases in rent.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

(1) To advance the dramatic arts for the public benefit by encouraging local people within Chessington, Surrey and the surrounding area to participate in the performance of plays and events and to attend and support such plays and events; and

(2) To support such general charitable purposes as the trustees may in their absolute discretion determine by making grants to local charities offering support to those living in Chessington, Surrey and the surrounding area.

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)	The Trustees have regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on the public benefit.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

Please refer to Section C above for details of the policy and the approach to nominating charities and making grants.

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

2025 began with rehearsals for our Summer Show "Wonka's Wonderful world of Chocolate" which took place twice on Saturday 7th June 2025.

A matinee was performed as the Show was more suited to children than last years murder mystery. The show was well received and enjoyed by all.

Our Vicky Spencer award (awarded for each show in recognition of outstanding contribution from a particular member) was renamed to include David Spencer, who for many years had been a major contributor to the making of props. He sadly passed this year. It is now known as the Vicky and David Spencer award.

For the Summer Show, it was awarded to Geoff for his wonderful creations in the Show.

One of our long established members Sue moved away from the area and to commemorate all the many performances she enhanced, as well as the contributions she made to the committee, we presented her with a necklace.

During the Summer new trunking was installed to accommodate the lighting and audio cables. This will hopefully make life a lot easier and safer for all those involved.

On that note I would like to thank Kai who has become our new sound engineer, doing a splendid professional job.

This year we have had two successful quizzes at Chessington Cricket Club, who continue to allow us free use of their facilities. A big thank you to all who were involved.

The Panto held on November 29th and December 6th was "Snow White and The Seven Dwarfs" (with an unconventional ending). It was a lively event with excellent scenery (thanks must go to our highly creative team of Bernie, Lisa and Karen) and all four performances were received well with high audience participation.

The Vicky and David Spencer award this time went to Jean, for her constancy and involvement in costumes, tea making, lighting, hosting rehearsals and organising our Christmas meal.

We look forward to a new year and all it brings with it.

Although no financial donation was made this year, we are planning to make one in 2026-27 based on the profits generated last year and this year. Two charities have been selected to support.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	Our policy on reserving is to retain sufficient funds to cover the future replacement of sound and lighting systems and other required equipment, to retain sufficient working capital and to maintain a contingency to cover future unexpected costs.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	Not applicable

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.

During normal times:

- our principal source of funding is from the sale of tickets purchased by members of the public attending our Summer Show and Pantomime plus the sale of raffle tickets, confectionary and drinks. At the end of performances, we ask customers to make voluntary donations into a "bucket" prior to leaving the hall.
- Our main expenditure remains the cost of renting the local parish hall during rehearsals and for shows and performances.
- Each year, we try to nominate a local charity and make a grant based on the net income generated from our revenue generating activities during the year.

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)	A. Williams	Jan Hesse
Full name(s)	Amanda Williams	Jan Hesse
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Producer	Chairperson

Date	27 Sept 2026

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

St Pauls Players

1182499

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01-Feb-25		31-Jan-26

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Fundraising Events - Summer Show and Pantomime	£ 6,354.55	-	-	6,355	£ 5,721.05
Gift Aid	£ 494.92	-	-	495	£ 688.91
Members' Subscriptions	£ 220.00	-	-	220	£ 60.00
Voluntary Donations	£ -	-	-	-	
Other revenue - Hire	£ -	-	-	-	£ 30.00
Compensation	£ -	-	-	-	
Grants	£ 77.22	-	-	77	£ 48.14
Interest	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total *(Gross income for AR)*	7,147	-	-	7,147	6,548
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	7,147	-	-	7,147	6,548
A3 Payments					
Cost of Fundraising Events	£ 523.07	-	-	523	608
Hall rental	£ 2,733.00	-	-	2,733	2,632
Insurance	£ 357.56	-	-	358	617
Electrical works at Hall	£ 400.00	-	-	400	
Storage	£ -	-	-	-	
Stationary	£ -	-	-	-	
Miscellaneous	£ 119.07	-	-	119	49
Donation to Charity		-	-	-	4,000
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	4,133	-	-	4,133	7,905
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Purchase of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	4,133	-	-	4,133	7,905
Net of receipts/(payments)	3,014	-	-	3,014	- 1,357
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	16,705	-	-	16,705	18,063
Cash funds this year end	19,719	-	-	19,719	16,705

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
Cash and funds in Treasurers Account, Lloyds		-	-	-
		19,719	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	19,719	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
Not Applicable	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Not Applicable		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Props		-	-
Costumes		-	-
Sound system including speakers		-	-
Lighting system including lights		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
There are no outstanding liabilities at the end of the financial year		-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
NG Williams	Nick Williams	16/3/26
Hannah Carter	Hannah Carter	16/3/26