



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 July 2021 Period start date To 30 June 2022 Period end date

Charity name: Bishop's Stortford Choral Society

Charity registration number: 247083

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>Educating the General Public</b>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.18	<b>The study and practice (including public concerts) of choral and orchestral music</b>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>Three public concerts were held in the year, with total audience numbers in excess of 650 members of the public.</p> <p>At one of the concerts the choir exceeded 130 members and the orchestra included over 50 players. This is exceptional for choral societies in our locality.</p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<b>Net funds held as at 30 June 2022 totalled £20,090</b> <b>Net income for the year was £409</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>Reserves are held as a buffer against shortfalls when holding concerts. Excess reserves have built up as a result of low concert activity due to COVID19.</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>£20,090</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>N/A</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>N/A</b>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>There are no such uncertainties</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>Unincorporated Association</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<b>Potential Trustees are proposed, seconded and voted on at the AGM or EGM</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Bishop's Stortford Choral Society
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	247083
Charity's principal address	For correspondence – 67 The Paddock Bishop's Stortford CM23 4JW

**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	Rosalind Rowe	Chair		
2	Michael Trippick	Treasurer		
3	Des Conridge	Secretary		
4	Lin Balcombe			
5	Jill Goldsmith			
6	Fae Nelson			
7	Christopher Bradley			
8	Helen Miles			
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

Director name		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

**Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others**

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None held
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

**Additional information (optional)****Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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**Exemptions from disclosure**

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A
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**Other optional information**

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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Michael Trippick	Des Conridge
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	Secretary

Date

**BISHOP'S STORTFORD CHORAL SOCIETY**  
(Registered Charity No. 247083)

**STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR THE PERIOD 1 JULY 2021 TO 30 JUNE 2022**

	Year ended 30 June 2022 £	Year ended 30 June 2021 £
<b>Income</b>		
Members' contributions	12,185.00	3,775.00
Friends' donations	495.00	825.00
Other donations	3,660.00	325.26
Small donations	52.60	0.00
Concert receipts	5,633.40	0.00
Concert programme sales/advertising	436.44	0.00
Other Concert income	372.00	0.00
Gift aid reclaimed	2,534.00	1,048.75
Interest	4.57	1.68
<b>Total income</b>	<b>25,373.01</b>	<b>5,975.69</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Concert fees - orchestra/soloists/conductor	12,385.00	0.00
Concert fees - venue hire	2,853.15	0.00
Concert publicity and printing	422.85	0.00
Music hire/purchase	354.50	191.90
Other concert costs	891.29	0.00
Conductor & Accompanist	5,859.00	4,887.00
Rehearsal venue	1,415.50	0.00
Publicity & website	0.00	60.06
Charitable donations	100.00	0.00
Staging & lighting purchases	34.80	0.00
Administration costs	647.71	746.21
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>24,963.80</b>	<b>5,885.17</b>
<b>Net Income/(Expenditure)</b>	<b>409.21</b>	<b>90.52</b>
Opening net current assets	19,680.33	19,589.81
<b>Closing net current assets</b>	<b>20,089.54</b>	<b>19,680.33</b>
Represented by:		
Cash and Bank Accounts	20,671.14	24,796.93
Debtors, Prepayments and Accrued Income	273.40	213.40
Accrued Costs	(855.00)	(5,330.00)
	<b>20,089.54</b>	<b>19,680.33</b>

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**BALANCE SHEET AT 30 JUNE 2021**

	30 June 2022 £	30 June 2021 £
Current Assets		
Bank deposit account	12,036.95	12,033.16
Bank current account	8,634.19	12,763.77
Cash in hand	0.00	0.00
	<b>20,671.14</b>	<b>24,796.93</b>
Debtors and Prepayments		
Accrued Income / Prepaid costs	273.40	213.40
less accrued costs	(855.00)	(5,330.00)
Net Current Assets	<b>20,089.54</b>	<b>19,680.33</b>
Represented by:-		
Balance brought forward 1 July 2021	19,680.33	19,589.81
Add surplus for the year	409.21	90.52
Balance carried forward 30 June 2022	<b>20,089.54</b>	<b>19,680.33</b>

**AUDITOR'S REPORT**

I have examined the above Balance Sheet and the Statement of Income and Expenditure, together with their associated records and vouchers as presented to me, and they are in agreement.

No provisions have been made in these accounts for any stocks or fixed assets.

A Giambrone  
Harlow

29 July 2022



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Bishop's Stortford Choral Society		
On accounts for the year ended	30 June 2022	Charity no (if any)	247083
	Set out on pages 1		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30/06/2022.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- 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 this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: 

Date: 27/09/2022

Name: Antonio Giambrone

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): ACMA / CGMA

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