



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date: 01 09 2024 To Period end date: 31 08 2025

## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name** The Barnes Choir

**Other names charity is known by**

**Registered charity number (if any)** 297104

**Charity's principal address** 11 Heidegger Crescent  
London

**Postcode** SW13 8HA

### 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	Henrietta Frances Gibbons	Chair		
2	Anna Katharine Cooper	Hon Secretary		
3	Gary Richard Smith	Hon Treasurer		
4	Adam Hammond			
5	Supraja Russell			
6	Pauline Mary Gore			
7	Alastair Patrick Grant			
8	Maria Sforza			
9	Joseph Colum Hayward			
10	Angela Freeman Hoggarth			
11	Janet Mattes		Appointed 12/11/2024	
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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

**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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**Section B Structure, governance and management**

**Description of the charity's trusts**

Type of governing document <i>(eg. trust deed, constitution)</i>	Constitution
How the charity is constituted <i>(eg. trust, association, company)</i>	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods <i>(eg. appointed by, elected by)</i>	Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the Annual General Meeting held in November.

**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.

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**Section C Objectives and activities**

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

To promote, improve, develop and maintain public education in and appreciation of the art and science of music in all its aspects by presentation of public choral concerts and by such other ways as the Society, through its Committee, shall determine from time to time.

In planning our activities for the year we kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at our trustee meetings.

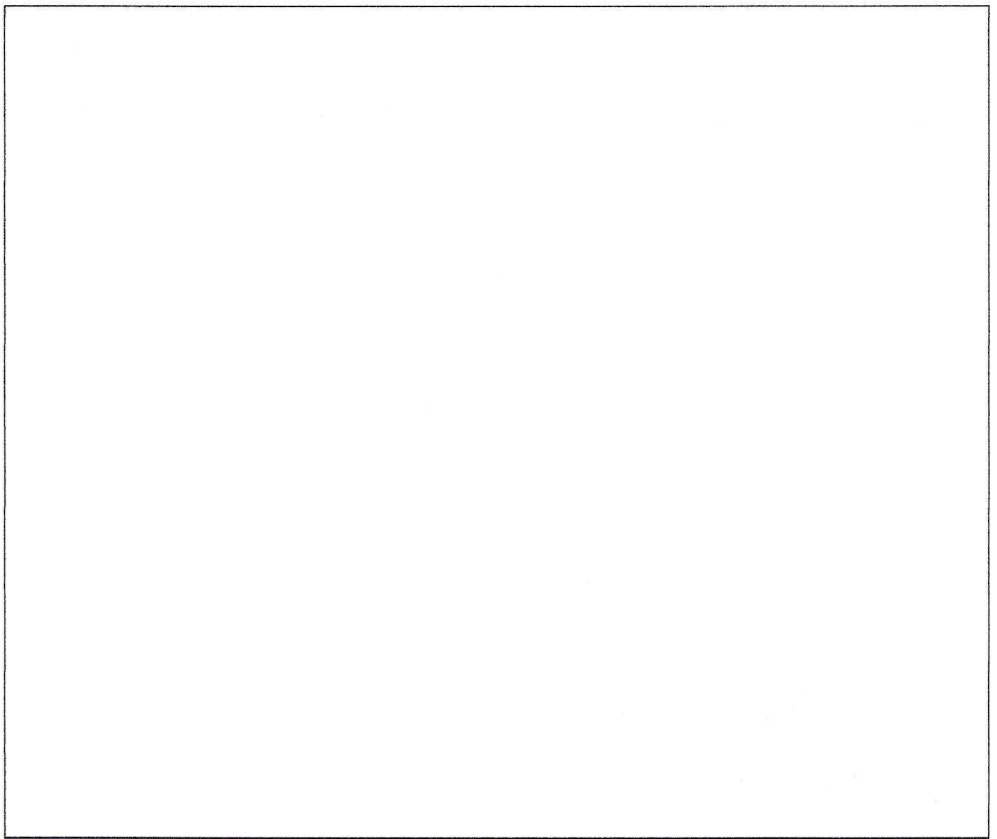
Our core activities are rehearsing for and putting on three concerts each year. In addition we arrange occasional Come and Sing workshops.

**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)**

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.



**Section D**

**Achievements and performance**

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

We performed three concerts during the season, starting with Christmas with Chilcott and Elms in November 2024. At our concert in March 2025, as part of the Barnes Music Festival, we performed works by Vaughan Williams and Elgar together with modern works by Whitacre and Todd. Our summer concert in June 2025 was a performance of Verdi's Requiem.

We held a one day workshop on the Verdi Requiem in April which attracted over 70 visitors.

Alongside our main concert season, we sang at community events including carol singing at the Barnes Community Association Christmas Fair and The Sun Inn and a medley of summer songs at Richmond May Fayre. During December, we also continued our fundraising support for The Mulberry Centre with carol singing at Richmond Station and at The Coach and Horses in Barnes, as well as performing a small carol singing event at the Mulberry Centre.

## Section E Financial review

**Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

We aim to maintain reserves sufficient to cover 6 months operational costs in the event of a loss of income and to meet any unforeseen expenditure that may occur.

**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.


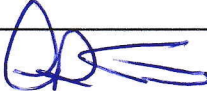
We are grateful to the Humphrey Richardson Taylor Charitable Trust for their grant of £1,000 which supported the trial introduction of a Bass Scholarship.

## 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)		
Full name(s)	HENRIETTA FRANCES GIBBONS	GARY RICHARD SMITH
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	HON. TREASURER
Date	4th NOVEMBER 2025	



THE BARNES CHOIR		Charity No (if any)	297104
Annual accounts for the period			
Period start date	01/09/2024	To	Period end date 31/08/2025

## Section A Statement of financial activities


Recommended categories by activity	Guidance Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year funds
		£ F01	£ F02	£ F03	£ F04	£ F05
<b>Incoming resources (Note 3)</b>						
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>						
Donations and legacies	S01	22,142	-	-	22,142	20,051
Charitable activities	S02	10,262	-	-	10,262	14,333
Other trading activities	S03	4,424	-	-	4,424	5,760
Investments	S04	695	-	-	695	284
Separate material item of income	S05	-	-	-	-	-
Other	S06	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	S07	37,523	-	-	37,523	40,428
<b>Resources expended (Note 6)</b>						
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Raising funds	S08	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	S09	31,004	-	-	31,004	26,177
Separate material item of expense	S10	-	-	-	-	-
Other	S11	3,392	-	-	3,392	2,407
<b>Total</b>	S12	34,396	-	-	34,396	28,584
<b>Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)</b>						
	S13	3,127	-	-	3,127	11,844
Net gains/(losses) on investments	S14	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net income/(expenditure) Extraordinary items</b>	S15	3,127	-	-	3,127	11,844
<b>Transfers between funds</b>	S16	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Other recognised gains/(losses):</b>	S17	-	-	-	-	-
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use	S18	-	-	-	-	-
Other gains/(losses)	S19	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	S20	3,127	-	-	3,127	11,844
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>						
Total funds brought forward	S21	21,668	-	-	21,668	9,824
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	S22	24,795	-	-	24,795	21,668

# Section B

# Balance sheet

		Guidance Notes	Unrestricted funds £ F01	Restricted income funds £ F02	Endowment funds £ F03	Total this year £ F04	Total last year £ F05
<b>Fixed assets</b>							
Intangible assets	(Note 15)	B01	-	-	-	-	-
Tangible assets	(Note 14)	B02	571	-	-	571	-
Heritage assets	(Note 16)	B03	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	(Note 17)	B04	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		B05	571	-	-	571	-
<b>Current assets</b>							
Stocks	(Note 18)	B06	-	-	-	-	-
Debtors	(Note 19)	B07	149	-	-	149	118
Investments	(Note 17.4)	B08	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	(Note 24)	B09	25,575	-	-	25,575	27,534
<b>Total current assets</b>		B10	25,724	-	-	25,724	27,652
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>							
	(Note 20)	B11	1,500	-	-	1,500	5,984
<b>Net current assets/(liabilities)</b>		B12	24,224	-	-	24,224	21,668
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		B13	24,795	-	-	24,795	21,668
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due after one year</b>							
	(Note 20)	B14	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Provisions for liabilities</b>		B15	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total net assets or liabilities</b>		B16	24,795	-	-	24,795	21,668
<b>Funds of the Charity</b>							
Endowment funds	(Note 27)	B17	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted income funds	(Note 27)	B18	-	-	-	-	-
Unrestricted funds		B19	24,795	-	-	24,795	21,668
Revaluation reserve		B20	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total funds</b>		B21	24,795	-	-	24,795	21,668

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval dd/mm/yyyy
	G.R. SMITH	04/11/2025

**Note 1 Basis of preparation**

*This section should be completed by all charities.*

**1.1 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.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with:

- and 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
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- and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.\*

\* -Tick as appropriate

**1.2 Going concern**

***If there are material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, please provide the following details or state "Not applicable", if appropriate:***

An explanation as to those factors that support the conclusion that the charity is a going concern;

NOT APPLICABLE

Disclosure of any uncertainties that make the going concern assumption doubtful;

NOT APPLICABLE

Where accounts are not prepared on a going concern basis, please disclose this fact together with the basis on which the trustees prepared the accounts and the reason why the charity is not regarded as a going concern.

NOT APPLICABLE

### 1.3 Change of accounting policy

The accounts present a true and fair view and the accounting policies adopted are those outlined in note { }.

Yes\*

\* -Tick as appropriate

No\*

**Please disclose:**

<b><i>(i) the nature of the change in accounting policy;</i></b>	
<b><i>(ii) the reasons why applying the new accounting policy provides more reliable and more relevant information; and</i></b>	
<b><i>(iii) the amount of the adjustment for each line affected in the current period, each prior period presented and the aggregate amount of the adjustment relating to periods before those presented, 3.44 FRS 102 SORP.</i></b>	

### 1.4 Changes to accounting estimates

No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period (3.46 FRS 102 SORP).

Yes\*

\* -Tick as appropriate

No\*

**Please disclose:**

<b><i>(i) the nature of any changes;</i></b>	
<b><i>(ii) the effect of the change on income and expense or assets and liabilities for the current period; and</i></b>	
<b><i>(iii) where practicable, the effect of the change in one or more future periods.</i></b>	

### 1.5 Material prior year errors

No material prior year error have been identified in the reporting period (3.47 FRS 102 SORP).

Yes\*

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\* -Tick as appropriate

No\*

**Please disclose:**

<b><i>(i) the nature of the prior period error;</i></b>	
<b><i>(ii) for each prior period presented in the accounts, the amount of the correction for each account line item affected; and</i></b>	
<b><i>(iii) the amount of the correction at the beginning of the earliest prior period presented in the accounts.</i></b>	

## Note 3 Analysis of income

Analysis		Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds £	Prior year £
Donations and legacies:	Donations and gifts	2,393	-	-	2,393	1,335
	Gift Aid	3,433	-	-	3,433	3,186
	Legacies	-	-	-	-	-
	General grants provided by government/other charities	-	-	-	-	-
	Membership subscriptions and sponsorships which are in substance donations	16,316	-	-	16,316	15,530
	Donated goods, facilities and services	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>		22,142	-	-	22,142	20,051
Charitable activities:	Concerts	7,724	-	-	7,724	9,894
	Workshops	2,028	-	-	2,028	3,166
		-	-	-	-	-
	Other	510	-	-	510	1,273
<b>Total</b>		10,262	-	-	10,262	14,333
Other trading activities:	Fundraising	4,424	-	-	4,424	5,760
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>		4,424	-	-	4,424	5,760
Income from investments:	Interest income	695	-	-	695	284
	Dividend income	-	-	-	-	-
	Rental and leasing income	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>		695	-	-	695	284
Separate material item of income:		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Total</b>		-	-	-	-
Other:	Conversion of endowment funds into income	-	-	-	-	-
	Gain on disposal of a tangible fixed asset held for charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
	Gain on disposal of a programme related investment	-	-	-	-	-
	Royalties from the exploitation of intellectual property rights	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Total</b>		-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		37,523	-	-	37,523	40,428

## Other information:

All income in the prior year was unrestricted except for:  
(please provide description and amounts)

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Where any endowment fund is converted into income in the reporting period, please give the reason for the conversion.

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Where any endowment fund is converted into income in the prior period, please give the reason for the conversion.

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Within the income items above the following items are material: (please disclose the nature, amount and any prior year amounts)

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## Note 6

## Analysis of expenditure

Analysis	This year				Last year			
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds £	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds £
<b>Expenditure on raising funds:</b>								
Incurred seeking donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incurred seeking legacies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incurred seeking grants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operating membership schemes and social lotteries	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Staging fundraising events	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising agents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operating charity shops	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operating a trading company undertaking non-charitable trading activity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Advertising, marketing, direct mail and publicity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Start up costs incurred in generating new source of future income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Database development costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Portfolio management costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cost of obtaining investment advice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment administration costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intellectual property licencing costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rent collection, property repairs and maintenance charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total expenditure on raising funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Expenditure on charitable activities:</b>								
Concerts	17,888	-	-	17,888	12,313	-	-	12,313
Rehearsals	11,780	-	-	11,780	11,766	-	-	11,766
Workshops	1,336	-	-	1,336	2,098	-	-	2,098
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total expenditure on charitable activities</b>	31,004	-	-	31,004	26,177	-	-	26,177
<b>Separate material item of expense</b>								
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Other</b>								
Admin & finance costs	3,392	-	-	3,392	2,407	-	-	2,407
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total other expenditure</b>	3,392	-	-	3,392	2,407	-	-	2,407
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	34,396	-	-	34,396	28,584	-	-	28,584

**Note 10** Details of certain items of expenditure**10.1 Fees for examination of the accounts**

*Please provide details of the amount paid for any statutory external scrutiny of accounts and other services provided by your independent examiner. If nothing was paid please enter '0' in the appropriate box(es).*

Independent examiner's fees

Assurance services other than audit or independent examination

Tax advisory fees

Other fees (for example: financial advice, consultancy, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner

This year £	Last year £
300	300
-	-
-	-
-	-

**Note 14 Tangible fixed assets***Please complete this note if the charity has any tangible fixed assets***14.1 Cost or valuation**

	Freehold land & buildings	Other land & buildings	Plant, machinery and motor vehicles	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
At the beginning of the year	-	-	-	-	-
Additions	-	-	-	635	635
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers *	-	-	-	-	-
At end of the year	-	-	-	635	635

**14.2 Depreciation and impairments**

<b>**Basis</b>	SL or RB (Straight Line or Reducing Balance)	SL or RB	SL or RB	Straight Line	SL or RB
<b>** Rate</b>				10%	

At beginning of the year	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation	-	-	-	64	64
Impairment	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers*	-	-	-	-	-
At end of the year	-	-	-	64	64

**14.3 Net book value**

Net book value at the beginning of the year	-	-	-	-	-
Net book value at the end of the year	-	-	-	571	571

**Note 19 Debtors and prepayments**

*Please complete this note if the charity has any debtors or prepayments.*

**19.1 Analysis of debtors**

Trade debtors

Prepayments and accrued income

Other debtors

**Total**

This year	Last year
£	£
-	-
29	42
120	75
149	117

*Please complete 19.2 where a material debtor is recoverable more than a year after the reporting date.*

**19.2 Analysis of debtors recoverable in more than 1 year (included in debtors above)**

Trade debtors

Prepayments and accrued income

Other debtors

**Total**

This year	Last year
£	£
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-

**Note 20 Creditors and accruals**

*Please complete this note if the charity has any creditors or accruals.*

**20.1 Analysis of creditors**

	Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
	This year £	Last year £	This year £	Last year £
Accruals for grants payable	-	-	-	-
Bank loans and overdrafts	-	-	-	-
Trade creditors	-	-	-	-
Payments received on account for contracts or performance-related grants	-	-	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	1,500	5,984	-	-
Taxation and social security	-	-	-	-
Other creditors	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>5,984</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

**20.2 Deferred income**

*Please complete this note if the charity has deferred income.*

*Please explain the reasons why income is deferred.*

This year	Last year

**Movement in deferred income account**

Balance at the start of the reporting period  
 Amounts added in current period  
 Amounts released to income from previous periods  
 Balance at the end of the reporting period

This year £	Last year £
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-

**Section C****Notes to the accounts****(cont)****Note 24 Cash at bank and in hand**

Short term cash investments (less than 3 months maturity date)  
Short term deposits  
Cash at bank and on hand  
Other  
Total

<b>This year £</b>	<b>Last year £</b>
-	-
-	-
25,575	27,534
-	-
25,575	27,534



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

The Barnes Choir

On accounts for the year  
ended

31<sup>st</sup> August 2025

Charity no  
(if any)

297104

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

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

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below \*) 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.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

*P. M. Walker DA Costa*

Date:

27 / 11 / 2025

Name:

PETER MICHAEL WALKER DA COSTA

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body

FCA

(if any):

Address:

**Section B Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.