

THE HARROGATE  
DRAMATIC SOCIETY

Trustees Report and Financial Statements

31 May 2021

Charity No: 500318

## THE HARROGATE DRAMATIC SOCIETY

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2021

The Harrogate Dramatic Society is governed by the Rules of the Society and is a registered charity (No. 500318). The objects of the charity are to educate the public in the dramatic arts and to further the development of public appreciation and taste in those arts. The address is Rear of 20 Regents Parade, Harrogate, HG1 5AW. The trustees for the year were:

#### **Charity Trustees**

Chris Rawson	- Chairman
Alex Bird	- Secretary
John Glyn Jones	- Treasurer
Sue Rawson	- Vice Chair
Paul Dunstan	- Publicity Secretary
John Colston	- Membership Secretary
Judith Howe	
Judi Kenley	
Mark Nicholls	

An Executive Committee elected at the Annual General Meeting governs the Society and all are automatically charity trustees. The Executive Committee nominates new trustees as necessary. The trustees have considered the induction and training requirements of trustees and ensure ongoing training needs are met.

#### **Public Benefit**

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Society's aims, objectives and activities and this report seeks to comply with that guidance by clearly explaining and illustrating how the charity delivers public benefit.

#### **Activities and achievements**

The impact of the Coronavirus pandemic has resulted in the cessation of our planned programme of productions, fundraising and social activities during the year and also our proposed special 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations.

Approval has been given for the funding, which had been received from North Yorkshire County Council under the County Councillors Locality Budget (Cllr Mike Chambers £500 and Cllr Jim Clark £2,500) to be carried forward over into the next financial year for next season's activities. Likewise approval has been received for part funding from the National Lottery grant (£665) to be carried over and used for the purchase of equipment for our new and exciting "Filming & Streaming" work which HDS members have been actively engaged in developing this year.

A small number of workshop sessions and some social activities for our Members and Friends have been held using Zoom.

Members and Friends were invited to make donations towards the Harrogate Theatre Seat Appeal and sufficient money was raised to allow the Society to fund two seats. Although other social and fundraising activities have been limited the society has achieved a profit for the year of £12,176 (2019/20 £14,459 profit).

The Society has benefitted from Covid-19 grants received from Harrogate Borough Council, for which the Society is most grateful, and also from monies raised from the sale of our special 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Recipe Book. We have received a small grant from Cllr Mike Chambers of £500 for a joint initiative with VISION SUPPORT HARROGATE DISTRICT for activities in 2021 to help celebrate their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Throughout the year we have continued to hold regular ZOOM Committee Meetings as well as our AGM and, in addition, have ensured that appropriate measures have been

taken, both in the running of the Society and in relation to health and safety matters for our premises at Regent Parade, so that we are COVID compliant and to remain in a strong position for the future.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2021 (cont'd)

**Reserves Policy**

The cash reserves as at 31 May 2021 were £51,555 (£38,834 - 2019/20) which are adequate to enable the Society to continue to carry out its planned productions.

The trustees are grateful for the support of the many volunteers who have enabled the Society to function successfully.

The trustees have approved this report.

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John Glyn Jones for and on behalf of the Executive Committee  
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE HARROGATE DRAMATIC SOCIETY

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Harrogate Dramatic Society for the year ended 31 May 2021.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with 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 Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts do 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

Michael E Briggs FCA  
Crown Chambers  
Princes Street  
Harrogate

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2021

	Notes	2021 Total Funds £	2020 Total Funds £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>			
Activities for generating funds: Fundraising receipts		1,248	2,233
Voluntary income		918	3,642
HMRC gift aid		698	534
Local lotto		941	876
Covid grant		18,565	10,000
Incoming resources from charitable activities			
Box office receipts		-	17,787
Programme sales & advertising		-	348
Wardrobe & scripts		-	200
Sponsorship		500	1,054
Subscriptions received		<u>2,629</u>	<u>2,911</u>
Total incoming resources		<u>25,499</u>	<u>39,585</u>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>			
Charitable activities			
Venue hire		-	8,382
Printing, royalties & production expenses		241	5,303
Property expenses	1	11,429	10,748
Administration expenses	4	<u>1,653</u>	<u>693</u>
Total resources expended		<u>13,323</u>	<u>25,126</u>
Net (expenditure)/income for the year		12,176	14,459
Total funds brought forward		<u>47,888</u>	<u>33,429</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>60,064</u>	<u>47,888</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MAY 2021

		2021		2020	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS	Notes 2		6,597		6,787
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors & prepaid expenditure		1,912		2,267	
Cash at bank	3	51,555		38,834	
		<u>53,467</u>		<u>41,101</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Sundry creditors		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	
Net current assets			53,467		41,101
Net assets			<u>60,064</u>		<u>47,888</u>
FUNDS					
Society Funds			60,064		47,888
			<u>60,064</u>		<u>47,888</u>

The notes on pages 6 and 7 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the trustees on xxxxxxxxxxxx and signed on their behalf by:

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John Glyn Jones  
Treasurer

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NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2021

	2021 £	2020 £
1 PROPERTY EXPENSES		
Rent, rates & insurance	9,735	9,753
Light & heat	416	739
Covid compliance repairs	1,005	-
Repairs & renewals	273	256
	<u>11,429</u>	<u>10,748</u>

	Fixtures & Fittings £	Costumes £	Tools £	Stage Equipment £	Electrical & Heating £	Total £
2 FIXED ASSETS						
Cost	1,497	5,000	642	6,018	1,594	14,751
Additions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance at 31 May 2020	<u>1,497</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>642</u>	<u>6,018</u>	<u>1,594</u>	<u>14,751</u>
Depreciation						
Balance at 1 June 2019	1,429	-	641	5,195	700	7,965
Depreciation for year	<u>18</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>89</u>	<u>189</u>
Balance at 31 May 2020	<u>1,447</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>641</u>	<u>5,277</u>	<u>789</u>	<u>8,154</u>
Book value at 31 May 2021	<u>50</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>741</u>	<u>805</u>	<u>6,597</u>
Book value at 31 May 2020	<u>69</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>823</u>	<u>894</u>	<u>6,787</u>

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NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2021 (cont'd)

	2021 £	2020 £
3 CASH AT BANK		
Current account	51,555	38,834
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	51,555	23,908
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	2021 £	2020 £
4 ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES		
Printing, postage & stationery	778	35
Sundry expenses	542	444
Covid expenses (Zoom)	144	-
Depreciation	189	214
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	1,653	693
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PRODUCTION ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2021

	£	£
<b>I NEVER THOUGHT IT WOULD TURN OUT LIKE THIS:-</b>		
Receipts and script income		(35)
Hire of venue	-	
Printing, royalties & other expenses	<u>91</u>	<u>91</u>
Excess of expenditure over income		<u>56</u>
<b>TREASURE ISLAND:-</b>		
Receipts and script income		(10)
Hire of venue	-	
Printing, royalties & other expenses	<u>148</u>	<u>148</u>
Excess of expenditure over income		<u>138</u>
<b>TOURING SHOW:-</b>		
Receipts		-
Hire of venue	-	
Printing, royalties & other expenses	<u>47</u>	<u>47</u>
Excess of income over expenditure		<u>47</u>