

AGM – Monday 13th October 2025

Chair's Report

Wow, it has been yet another successful year in more ways than one. Jamie has consolidated his place with RCS, in spite of frightening us all, by informing us of his move to Worcester with his success in gaining Head of Music at the Royal Worcester Grammar School. So far, so good with all the travel arrangements he has put in place. We have continued to go from strength to strength under his leadership, and long may this continue

Not only has Jamie consolidated his place with RCS, but Ivan has as well. Ivan has simply gelled!! Not only is he our accompanist, he is a well known and established organist and professional musician in his own right, and we are grateful that he is able to commit his time with us on a Monday evening. Ivan has also been able to lead small groups of us at various functions. He conducted a few of us at Aspen Manor Care Home earlier in the year, and we have committed ourselves to singing for them in December. The joy of attending these types of events, is that we are out in the community and hopefully, enhancing people's lives and spreading the word about RCS.

As a result of our success, we have not only increased our membership, we are now in the enviable position of having a waiting list of prospective singers wishing to join us and we are probably at our maximum level of singers at present.

In addition to our 3 concerts a year, plus our Christmas concert at Normanton, we also continue to sing at weddings – having attended 3 so far in 2025, one in Oakley, and the other 2 in Hambleton, the latter 2 of which relate to the current year. These weddings have resulted in a new tab on our website entitled 'hire our choir', which has cost little and proved to be productive.

Not only weddings, we have had the enormous privilege to sing at the funeral of one of our former members, Caroline Godfrey, and also the funeral and memorial service for our own Paul Butler, and it is so important that we continue to make ourselves available for these types of commitments.

Well, I had been promising to step aside or retire, whatever you wish to call it, for quite a while and the opportunity arose a couple of months ago. You have had at least 12 years of my chairmanship, and that is truly enough!! When I took over all those years ago, it was as an emergency treasurer. Another member took on the role of Chair, but unfortunately, that office only lasted a few weeks and as a result, I became acting Chair and Treasurer, which was not ideal. The accounts were in a very fragile state – there were insufficient funds to pay the rent, and there were very few members. However, we eventually managed to overcome the difficulties, and I say 'we' as it was very much a team effort and the appointment of Suzanne as Treasurer. Suzanne has been an incredible treasurer and is now enjoying her own 'retirement', although I am pleased to say, she remains a trustee. My thanks go to all of the committee members, past and present, for their never-ending support during this time, their love and the odd shoulder to cry on.

We went through Covid and lockdown, but continued to 'meet' online; we then restarted RCS outside, having managed to acquire the Showground as our rehearsal venue. At the time, it was the only venue that could afford us the minimum one metre space between each member! And what a wonderful venue it has turned out to be.

I have said it before, but am happy to repeat myself, it has been an honour and a privilege to work with such a well-oiled team of trustees and I wish to express my sincere thanks again to your committee, who work tirelessly on your behalf, but also to all of you, the members, who have at

times, had to put up with my moaning and cajoling, but hopefully, encouragement. The charity is in a strong position moving forward and I feel very comfortable in handing over.

It's been an honour to act as your Chair, and in due course, I will formally hand over to your new Chair, Claire Symington. I wish Claire every success in her new role and I know you will provide her with the same support with which you have provided me.

Management Report

Rutland Choral Society

For the period ended 31 July 2025

Prepared on

28 September 2025

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Statement of Activity

August 2024 - July 2025

	Total
INCOME	
1000 Concerts Income	
1100 Christmas Concert Ticket Sales	2,813.76
1200 Spring Concert Ticket Sales	2,315.00
1300 Summer Concert Ticket Sales	2,025.22
1400 Normanton Concert Income	936.00
Total 1000 Concerts Income	8,089.98
2000 Memberships	0.00
2100 Membership Fees Autumn	5,099.75
2150 Chamber Choir - Autumn	130.00
2200 Membership Fees Spring	5,000.00
2250 Chamber Choir - Spring	110.00
2300 Membership Fees Summer	4,690.00
2350 Chamber Choir - Summer	130.00
2500 Gift Aid	1,746.49
Total 2000 Memberships	16,906.24
3000 Fund Raising	
3100 Christmas Concert Raffle	247.84
3300 Summer Concert Raffle	285.00
3400 100 Club	1,330.00
3800 Workshop Refreshment Donations	147.15
Total 3000 Fund Raising	2,009.99
4000 Miscellaneous Income	0.00
4100 Weddings & Events	1,140.00
4420 Bank Interest Earned	176.05
4600 Gifts and Donations Income	365.72
Total 4000 Miscellaneous Income	1,681.77
Total Income	28,687.98
GROSS PROFIT	
	28,687.98
EXPENSES	
5000 Concert Expenses	
5110 Christmas Concert Direction	250.00
5120 Christmas Concert Pianist	290.00
5140 Christmas Concert Venue Hire	100.00
5150 Christmas Concert Printing	116.68
5160 Christmas Concert Gift/Sundries	111.00
5210 Spring Concert Direction	250.00
5220 Spring Concert Pianist	310.00
5230 Spring Concert - Professionals	950.00
5240 Spring Concert Venue Hire	360.00
5250 Spring Concert Printing	129.35
5260 Spring Concert Expenses	198.93
5290 Spring Concert Musicians	1,144.26
5310 Summer Concert Direction	250.00

	Total
5320 Summer Concert Pianist	250.00
5340 Summer Concert Venue Hire	100.00
5350 Summer Concert Printing	83.76
5360 Summer Concert Gifts/Sundries	182.96
5410 Normanton Concert Direction	255.00
5420 Normanton Concert Pianist	160.00
Total 5000 Concert Expenses	5,491.94
6000 Rehearsal & Support Costs	
6100 Music Direction	3,903.75
6150 Travel - MD	1,680.00
6200 Pianist	2,815.00
6300 Hall Hire	4,612.50
6500 Purchase of Music	1,799.66
6550 Music Hire	168.24
6600 Workshop Hall Hire	150.00
6620 Workshop Professional Fees	610.00
6700 Professional Fees	40.00
6900 Miscellaneous Expense	170.40
6950 General Gifts and Presentations	26.00
Total 6000 Rehearsal & Support Costs	15,975.55
7000 Weddings & Events	
7100 Wedding & Event Musical Direction	365.00
7200 Wedding & Events Pianist	150.00
7500 Charitable Donation Payments	900.00
Total 7000 Weddings & Events	1,415.00
8000 Administration Costs	
8005 Bank Charges	66.77
8020 Insurance Expense	394.00
8040 Postage and Delivery	12.05
8050 Computer and Internet Expenses	724.80
8070 Stationery	141.42
8100 Equipment and Hire	62.89
Total 8000 Administration Costs	1,401.93
Total Expenses	24,284.42
NET OPERATING INCOME	4,403.56
OTHER INCOME	
9000 Other Income and Costs	
9010 Annual Dinner Income	1,430.00
9020 Annual Dinner Costs	-1,395.00
9050 Coach Contributions	270.00
9060 Coach Costs	-580.00
9300 Social Income	520.00
9350 Social Party Expenses	-478.88
Total 9000 Other Income and Costs	-233.88
Total Other Income	-233.88
NET OTHER INCOME	-233.88

NET INCOME

Total
£4,169.68

Statement of Financial Position

As of July 31, 2025

	Total
FIXED ASSET	
Total Fixed Asset	
CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND	
0200 Bank ,Savings Accounts	
0210 CAF Bank a/c	1,205.01
0220 CAF Gold Account	8,166.33
0230 CAF Gold Account Designated Fund	5,000.00
Total 0200 Bank ,Savings Accounts	14,371.34
Total Cash at bank and in hand	14,371.34
NET CURRENT ASSETS	14,371.34
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	
Trade Creditors	
0400 Accounts Payable	2,135.00
Total Trade Creditors	2,135.00
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2,135.00
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	12,236.34
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	12,236.34
TOTAL NET ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	£12,236.34
CAPITAL AND RESERVES	
0901 Accumulated Reserves	8,066.66
0950 Unrestricted Net Assets	0.00
Profit for the year	4,169.68
Total Capital and Reserves	£12,236.34

I have checked and verified the accounts for
Rutland Choral Society
to the year end
31st July 2025.



Aldona ANDREW
Secretary/Treasurer
Peterborough & District Federation of Homing Societies

15th September 2025