



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

|             |                 |                   |      |           |                  |       |      |
|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|------|-----------|------------------|-------|------|
|             |                 | Period start date |      |           | Period end date  |       |      |
| <b>From</b> | 1 <sup>st</sup> | May               | 2022 | <b>To</b> | 30 <sup>th</sup> | April | 2023 |

## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name**

Nantwich Players

**Other names charity is known by**

**Registered charity number (if any)**

510853

**Charity's principal address**

|                           |                |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| Nantwich Players' Theatre |                |
| One Love Lane,            |                |
| Nantwich, Cheshire        |                |
| <b>Postcode</b>           | <b>CW5 5BH</b> |

### 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  | J. ACKLAM    | CHAIRMAN        |                                   |   |
| 2  | S. LAUGHLIN  | TREASURER       |                                   |   |
| 3  | G. GUEST     | SECRETARY       |                                   |   |
| 4  | C. ACKLAM    |                 |                                   |   |
| 5  | A. EDMUNDSON |                 |                                   |   |
| 6  | L. EVANS     |                 |                                   |   |
| 7  | B. FROUD     |                 |                                   |   |
| 8  | E.CAULFIELD  |                 |                                   |   |
| 9  | D. HIRST     |                 |                                   |   |
| 10 | G. JONES     |                 |                                   |   |
| 11 | C.HOY        |                 |                                   |   |
| 12 | N.VERNON     |                 |                                   |   |
| 13 | J. GRATTON   |                 |                                   |   |
| 15 |              |                 |                                   |   |
| 16 |              |                 |                                   |   |
| 17 |              |                 |                                   |   |
| 18 |              |                 |                                   |   |
| 19 |              |                 |                                   |   |
| 20 |              |                 |                                   |   |

### 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                                    |
|----------------------|-----------|--|
| INDEPENDENT EXAMINER | B. COGLAN | 379, CREWE RD, NANTWICH, CHESHIRE, CW5 6NW |
|                      |           |  |
|                      |           |  |
|                      |           |  |

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

P. HOUGH, J. ACKLAM, S. LAUGHLIN

**Section B Structure, governance and management**

**Description of the charity's trusts**

|   |                |
|---|----------------|
| Type of governing document<br>(eg. trust deed, constitution)        | Constitution   |
| How the charity is constituted<br>(eg. trust, association, company) | Association    |
| Trustee selection methods<br>(eg. appointed by, elected by)         | Elected at 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.

**Section C Objectives and activities**

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

The object of the association is to educate the public in general and the inhabitants of the Borough of Crewe and Nantwich and surrounding areas within reasonable travelling distance there from in particular in the dramatic and operatic arts to further the development of public appreciation and taste in the said arts; and in furtherance of this object but not further or otherwise the association through its Executive Committee shall have the following powers:

(a) to present or assist in presenting dramatic performances, recitals, play readings, lectures, arts festivals, arts exhibitions and public

concerts and other arts events, as the General Meeting or Executive Committee may determine.

- (b) To provide and maintain premises for such presentations.
- (c) To establish or further the works of other institutions or organisations to be formed or already existing for the promotion of the said objects.
- (d) To do all such other things as are necessary for the attainment of the foregoing objects.

Having had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit, the Trustees confirm that the following activities are undertaken for the public benefit:

- Dramatic performances;
- Recitals;
- Play readings;
- Lectures;
- Arts festivals;
- Arts exhibitions;
- Public concerts;
- Other arts events.

**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.

Nantwich Players does not make grants to others.

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

- Nantwich Players had 130 members during the period, with an additional 25 members of its Youth Theatre and many on the waiting list.
- Operational Recovery from the effects of the Coronavirus Pandemic were complete during the year, with 6 main house productions, a 'Youth Theatre' production and three 'Studio' productions.
- In addition, a new service for 6-11 yr olds has been operational on Saturday mornings.
- Nantwich Players again won the 'Best Northern 1 act Production' in the All England Festival during the year.

## Section E Financial review

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

Reserves are divided into General Reserves and Property Fund Reserves.

General Reserves are available for the Executive Committee to allocate as required for operational, maintenance, refurbishment and repair purposes.

Property Fund Reserves are classed as Designated Funds, which are amounts which have been set aside at the discretion of the trustees for the specific, but not legally binding, purpose of funding activities associated with the Theatre Rebuilding Project.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

None

**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.

The charity plans to refurbish its auditorium in the year following this, based on the more-rapid recovery from the Pandemic, than that forecast in its planning.


## Section F Other optional information

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## Section G Declaration

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

**Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

|  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <b>Signature(s)</b>                        |  |  |
| <b>Full name(s)</b>                        | Jeremy Charles Acklam   |  |
| <b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b> | CHAIRMAN  |  |
| <b>Date</b>                                | 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2024  |  |

# **The Nantwich Players**

**Charity No: 510853**

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**of the**

**Trustees of the Nantwich Players**

**for the year ended 30th April 2023**

**THE NANTWICH PLAYERS**

**Financial Statements of the Trustees**

**For the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

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## **.Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Nantwich Players**

I report on the accounts of the Trust (Registered Charity No. 510853) for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023, which are set out on pages 03 to 06.

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

B J Coghlan FCA.



Date.

19<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

379 Crewe Road, Wistaston, Nantwich, Cheshire. CW5 6NW

## The Nantwich Players

### Income & Expenditure Account to 30th April 2023

#### "General Fund"

| 2022          |  | £             | £            | £             | 2023          |
|---------------|--|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| £             | Receipts (Net of Connected Payments)   | Receipts      | Payments     | Net           | £             |
| 2,069         | Female of the Species  | -             | -            | -             | -             |
| 3,256         | Wait Until Dark  | -             | -            | -             | -             |
| 3,604         | Christmas Carol Radio Play   | -             | -            | -             | -             |
| 2,845         | Lovesong   | -             | -            | -             | -             |
| (225)         | All My Sons  | 4,457         | 667          | 3,790         | 3,790         |
| (974)         | Kiss Me Stupid   | 5,398         | 475          | 4,923         | 4,923         |
|               | Big Big Sky  | 4,816         | 898          | 3,919         | 3,919         |
|               | Habeas Corpus  | 6,346         | 880          | 5,467         | 5,467         |
|               | Private Lives  | 6,058         | 846          | 5,212         | 5,212         |
|               | One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest  | 6,671         | 1,303        | 5,368         | 5,368         |
|               | Handbagged   | 361           | 274          | 87            | 87            |
|               | Bedroom Farce  | -             | 329          | (329)         | (329)         |
| <b>10,575</b> |  | <b>34,108</b> | <b>5,672</b> | <b>28,436</b> |               |
|               | <b>Other Receipts</b>  |               |              |               |               |
| -             | Development Income   |               |              |               | -             |
| 11,345        | Donations and Grants   |               |              |               | 661           |
| 22            | Interest on Building Society Account   |               |              |               | 106           |
| 306           | Front of House   |               |              |               | 1,484         |
| 2,519         | Bar Profit   |               |              |               | 7,179         |
| 950           | Theatre Hire   |               |              |               | 2,250         |
| 227           | Adult / Junior Subscriptions   |               |              |               | 2,575         |
| 278           | Youth Subscriptions  |               |              |               | 279           |
| 7             | Youth Theatre  | -             | -            | 1,813         | 1,813         |
| <b>15,655</b> |  |               |              |               | <b>16,347</b> |
|               | <b>Other Payments</b>  |               |              |               |               |
|               | Development Expenditure  |               | 2,676        |               |               |
| 81            | General - on charitable purposes   |               | 6            |               |               |
| 323           | General - buildings/contents/consumables   |               | 635          |               |               |
| 3,325         | Management and Admin   |               | 3,892        |               |               |
| 499           | External Subscriptions   |               | 200          |               |               |
| 991           | Publicity, Stationery, Postage, Newsletter                                       |               | 1,214        |               |               |
| 198           | Telephone  |               | 297          |               |               |
| 7,289         | Repairs and Renewal:   |               | 4,272        |               |               |
| 1,856         | Utilities  |               | 7,791        |               |               |
| 4,682         | Next Seasons Advance Expenditure   |               | 5,213        |               |               |
| -             | Studio   |               | (2,164)      |               |               |
| 417           | Festival Expenses  |               | 1,177        |               |               |
| -             | Property Development Fund  |               | -            |               |               |
| <b>19,661</b> | <b>Total Other Payments</b>  |               |              |               | <b>25,210</b> |
| <b>6,569</b>  | <b>Surplus/(Deficit) of "General Fund" Income over Expenditure.</b>              |               |              |               | <b>19,573</b> |
|               | <b>"Property Development Fund"</b>   |               |              |               |               |
|               | <b>Receipts</b>  |               |              |               |               |
| 4,688         | Donations  |               |              |               | 4,290         |
| 11            | Interest Received on Building Society Account                                    |               |              |               | 55            |
| 3,477         | HMRC Tax Repayments on Gift Aid Donations  |               |              |               | -             |
| -             | Transfers from General Account   |               |              |               | -             |
| <b>8,176</b>  |  |               |              |               | <b>4,345</b>  |
|               | <b>Payments</b>  |               |              |               |               |
| -             | Development Expenditure  |               |              |               | -             |
| 4,045         | Repayment of Principal on Loan No 2 from Nantwich Town Council                   |               |              |               | 4,167         |
| 614           | Interest paid on Loan No 2 from Nantwich Town Council                            |               |              |               | 492           |
| <b>4,660</b>  |  |               |              |               | <b>4,659</b>  |
| <b>3,516</b>  | <b>Surplus/(Deficit) of "Property Development Fund" Income over Expenditure.</b> |               |              |               | <b>(314)</b>  |
| <b>10,085</b> | <b>Total Surplus/(Deficit) of Income over Expenditure.</b>                       |               |              |               | <b>19,259</b> |

# The Nantwich Players

## Balance Sheet as at 30th April 2023

| 2022<br>£             |                                      | Note | 2023<br>£             |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|------|-----------------------|
|                       | <b>Fixed Assets</b>                  |      |                       |
| 84,798                | Land and Buildings                   | 1    | 84,798                |
|                       | <b>Current Assets</b>                |      |                       |
| -                     | Stock at Bar                         | 2    | -                     |
|                       | Bank Balances                        | 3    |                       |
| 57,003                | RBS Account - General Fund           |      | 76,470                |
| 22,457                | Leek United BS - Contingency Fund    |      | 22,563                |
| 14,166                | Nat West Account - Property Fund     |      | 13,797                |
| 11,009                | Leek United BS - Property Fund       |      | <u>11,064</u>         |
|                       |                                      |      | 123,894               |
| -                     | Debtors and Prepayments              | 4    | -                     |
| <u>189,433</u>        | <b>Total Assets</b>                  |      | <u>208,692</u>        |
|                       |                                      |      |                       |
| <u>17,441</u>         | Loan No 2 from Nantwich Town Council | 5    | 13,273                |
| <u><b>171,993</b></u> |                                      |      | <u><b>195,419</b></u> |

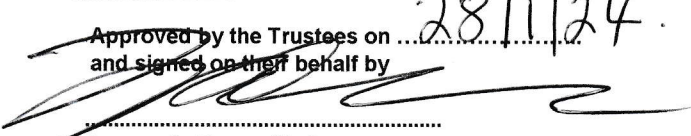
represented by:-

### Reserves

|         |  |         |
|---------|--|---------|
| 54,551  | Opening Reserves                               | 64,636  |
| 10,085  | Surplus / (Deficit) of Income over Expenditure | 19,259  |
| 107,357 | Property Reserve                               | 111,524 |

171,993

Approved by the Trustees on  
and signed on their behalf by

  
Jeremy Acklam Chairman

195,419

  
Sandie Laughlin Treasurer

Cash Balances at 30th April 2023

| Total<br>2022<br>£ | Opening Balance at 1st May 2022 | - Net transfers between accounts | 10,085 Surplus/ (Deficit) of Income over Expenditure | <b>104,635</b> Closing Balance 30th April 2023 | RBS<br>Current<br>Account<br>£ | Leek United<br>Building<br>Society<br>£ | Total<br>General<br>and<br>Contingency<br>Funds<br>£ : p | Nat West<br>Current<br>Account<br>£ | Leek United<br>Building<br>Society<br>£ | Total<br>Property<br>Fund<br>£ | TOTAL<br>£     |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|--------------------------------|---|--|-------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|----------------|
|                    | 94,550                          | -                                | 10,085   | <b>104,635</b>                                 | 57,003                         | 22,457                                  | 79,460   | 14,166                              | 11,009                                  | 25,175                         | 104,635        |
|                    |                                 |                                  |  |  | -                              | -                                       | -  | -                                   | -                                       | -                              | -              |
|                    |                                 |                                  |  |  | 19,467                         | 106                                     | 19,573   | (370)                               | 55                                      | (314)                          | 19,259         |
|                    |                                 |                                  |  |  | <b>76,470</b>                  | <b>22,563</b>                           | <b>99,033</b>  | <b>13,796</b>                       | <b>11,064</b>                           | <b>24,861</b>                  | <b>123,894</b> |

# **THE NANTWICH PLAYERS**

## **Notes to the Accounts**

**For the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

### **1. Land and Buildings**

No1 Love Lane was purchased in March 2009 for £84,796.50. The land and Buildings have been valued at cost.

### **2. Stock at Bar.**

As in past years the Stock at Bar has not been reflected in the accounts.

### **3. Bank Balances**

The movement on the accounts is shown on page 5.

The RBS Current Account is used by the General Fund for everyday business.

One Leek United Building Society Account is used as a contingency savings account by the General Fund.

The Nat West Current Account is used by the Property Development Fund.

The other Leek United Building Society Account is used as a savings account for the Property Development Fund.

### **4. Mortgages' from Nantwich Town Council (NTC)**

The No 1 Loan for £50,000 was fully repaid in 2019 and is no longer shown in these accounts. In 2016 a No 2 Loan was taken from NTC for £40,000 repayable over 10 years at six monthly intervals. Each payment of interest and principal is £2,329.83. The final repayment is due to be made in 2026

### **5. Property Reserve**

This reserve represents amounts transferred out of other reserves as capital repayments are made on both the No 1 and 2 NTC Loans

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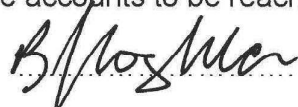
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Date 19<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

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