



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1st	May	2024		30 th	April	2025

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
 Postcode CW5 5BH

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	J.GRATTON	SECRETARY		
4	L.EVANS			
5	B.FROUD			
6	C.ACKLAM			
7	A.GOOD			
8	A.NEWTON			
9	M.CLAY			
10	S.DUTTON			
11	L.MURPHY			
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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)

J. ACKLAM, S. LAUGHLIN, J.GRATTON

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Association
Trustee selection methods (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
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)

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.

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.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

- Nantwich Players had 140 members during the period, with 25 members of its Youth Theatre and some on the waiting list.
- A full programme of 6 plays, 3 studio plays and 1 Youth Theatre play was delivered during the period.
- Significant repair work was completed on the theatre roof during the period.

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's principal source of income is from customer receipts from the performance of plays. Expenditure on the theatre in terms of repairs, upgrades and competitive entries into national festivals continue to support the key objectives of the charity.

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

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Jeremy Charles Acklam	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIRMAN	
Date	22 th February 2026	

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Charity No: 510853

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

of the

Trustees of the Nantwich Players

for the year ended 30th April 2025

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Financial Statements of the Trustees

For the year ended 30th April 2025

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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 30th April 2025, 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:

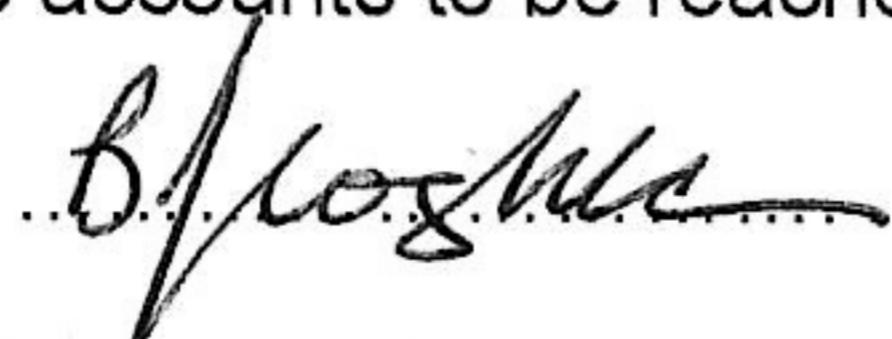
(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- 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. 23rd November 2025

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

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Income & Expenditure Account to 30th April 2025

"General Fund"

2024		£		£		2025
£						£
	Receipts (Net of Connected Payments)			Receipts	Payments	Net
4,442	Handbagged			-	-	-
6,082	Bedroom Farce			-	-	-
4,838	The Weir			-	-	-
5,821	Theft			-	-	-
5,306	Rules for Living			-	-	-
5,590	Abigail's Party			-	-	-
(566)	Girl on the Train		6,471	-	385	6,086
(139)	When We Are Married		6,880.06	-	798	6,082
-	One Man two Guvnors		8,221.73	-	1,546	6,676
-	Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde		8,427.73	-	1,863	6,565
-	Flint St Nativity		7,356.94	-	966	6,391
-	Curious Incident		8,186.20	-	1,539	6,647
-	Blackadder		868.71	-	3,548	(2,679)
-	The Tempest		-	-	333	(333)
31,373			46,412	10,977		35,435
	Other Receipts					
-	Development Income					-
483	Donations and Grants					543
496	Interest on Building Society Account					843
1,566	Front of House					1,993
8,086	Bar Profit					10,635
2,810	Theatre Hire					2,525
3,093	Adult / Junior Subscriptions					3,140
323	Youth Subscriptions					345
2,773	Youth Theatre					2,486
19,630						22,509
	Other Payments					
43,940	Development Expenditure			19,405		
40	General - on charitable purposes			623		
948	General - buildings/contents/consumables			1,453		
3,884	Management and Admin			3,986		
1,286	External Subscriptions			1,335		
1,208	Publicity, Stationery, Postage, Newsletter			1,153		
535	Telephone			588		
2,235	Repairs and Renewals			11,734		
8,129	Utilities			6,103		
4,311	Next Seasons Advance Expenditure			4,357		
(2,578)	Studio			(5,736)		
305	Festival Expenses			1,326		
-	Property Development Fund			-		
64,242	Total Other Payments			46,329		46,329
(13,239)	Surplus/(Deficit) of "General Fund" Income over Expenditure.					11,615

"Property Development Fund"

	Receipts					
6,200	Donations					4,128
257	Interest Received on Building Society Account					313
1,468	HMRC Tax Repayments on Gift Aid Donations					1,560
7,924						6,001
	Payments					
-	Development Expenditure					-
4,293	Repayment of Principal on Loan No 2 from Nantwich Town Council					4,490
366	Interest paid on Loan No 2 from Nantwich Town Council					170
4,660						4,660
3,264	Surplus/(Deficit) of "Property Development Fund" Income over Expenditure.					1,341
(9,975)	Total Surplus/(Deficit) of Income over Expenditure.					12,956

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Balance Sheet as at 30th April 2025

2024 £		Note	2025 £
	Fixed Assets		
84,798	Land and Buildings	1	84,798
	Current Assets		
-	Stock at Bar	2	-
	Bank Balances	3	
62,735	RBS Account - General Fund		58,506
23,059	Leek United BS - Contingency Fund		38,902
16,805	Nat West Account - Property Fund		17,833
11,321	Leek United BS - Property Fund		<u>11,634</u>
-	Debtors and Prepayments	4	-
<u>198,717</u>	Total Assets		<u>211,674</u>
<u>8,980</u>	Loan No 2 from Nantwich Town Council	5	4,557
<u>189,737</u>			<u>207,117</u>

represented by:-

	Reserves	
83,895	Opening Reserves	73,920
(9,975)	Surplus / (Deficit) of Income over Expenditure	12,956
115,817	Property Reserve	120,241
<u>189,737</u>		<u>207,117</u>

Approved by the Trustees on
and signed on their behalf by



Jeremy Acklam Chairman

6th Jan. 2026


Sandie Laughlin Treasurer

Cash Balances at 30th April 2025

Total 2024 £	RBS Current Account £	Leek United Building Society £	Total General and Contingency Funds £ : p	Nat West Current Account £	Leek United Building Society £	Total Property Fund £	TOTAL £
123,893	62,735	23,059	85,794	16,804	11,321	28,125	113,919
-	(15,000)	15,000	-	-	-	-	-
(9,975)	10,771	843	11,614	1,029	313	1,342	12,956
113,918	58,506	38,902	97,408	17,833	11,634	29,467	126,876

113,918 Closing Balance 30th April 2025

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Notes to the Accounts

For the year ended 30th April 2025

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 September 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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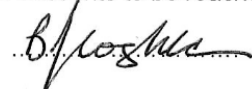
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