



Headquarters:
Collegian House
41 Bradford Road
Dewsbury
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Registered Charity No. 511706

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ending 30th September 2023

Collegian House is a Grade 2 listed building which is owned by the Society. The title to the land has been transferred to the Official Custodian for Charities in trust for the charity by an order dated 31st August 2018.

The building has four floors:

Cellar which stores 'properties'.

Ground floor, which has a lounge, a wardrobe room, a kitchen and toilets.

First Floor, which is a large room used as a rehearsal area.

Top Floor is a workshop for building and storing scenery for our shows.

The Society is run by an Executive Committee elected in accordance with the Society's Constitution at the Annual General Meeting.

The Executive Committee henceforward referred to as 'Trustees' meet once per month or more regularly as and when required.

The Charities Commission has been provided with an updated copy of the Society's Constitution and a current list of Trustees and their personal details.

The Financial Report attached reflects the difficulties of fulfilling our aims and objectives to the extent that we would wish but the Trustees are given expert guidance from our Treasurer continuously.

The accounts show at note 12 funds of the Charity. All funds are unrestricted, currently. Of those, £4,750 is designed for repair and replacement of building fabric, fixtures and fittings and other fixed assets.

Our only significant working capital requirement is to meet the costs of staging a performance before the full amount of ticket and other income has been realised. Our policy is that we should have sufficient reserves to be able to cover our costs for a show before committing to a performance.

Ever increasing production costs plus smaller audiences are a problem. Since the 'Lockdown' a lot of our local groups and associations have not got back into the habit of organising collective outings. However, during the year we did organise and present the following activities in North Kirklees:

October 2022

Musical Concert

The venue was St. Paul's Church Hall Hanging Heaton.

Well received and full houses.

January 2023

'Aladdin' the Pantomime

This should have been presented at Dewsbury Town Hall but had to relocate to Batley Town Hall at the last minute because of suspected structural faults to the stage at Dewsbury.

This caused tremendous inconvenience as Batley has a capacity of only 200 and well over 300 tickets had been sold for the Sunday performance at Dewsbury. It was necessary to present two extra performances to accommodate the demand for tickets.

There was a BSL interpreted performance on the Saturday Evening.

20 tickets were donated to a local charity.

June 2023

'The Full Monty the Musical' the 'main' show of the year

Four performances were staged and were most successful in spite of the fact that a week before opening night the venue was changed from Batley Town Hall to Dewsbury Town Hall because of flood damage at Batley.

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September 2023

Cheese and Wine Afternoon

A social day for members and friends which also served as a money raiser.

We continue to encourage local talent of any age, for instance the pantomime always contains teams of young people who act as dancers and chorus members.

We are a Society that makes new members welcome no matter where their interests lie i.e. on stage, backstage, front of house, wardrobe and costumes, set building etc.

The Society is affiliated to the National Operatic and Dramatic Association.

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

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Malcolm Whitehead Kenyon
Trustee

22nd February 2024

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Report of the Independent Examiner

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ('the Charity') for the year ended 30 September 2023, which are set out on pages 4 to 8.

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 Charity'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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3 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.

Signed by:

Stephen C Hartley FCA
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30 November 2023

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Statement of Financial Activities

	Notes 1,2,3	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £
Income			
Income from Shows and Plays		26,332	20,490
Show Deposit Refunded	3	763	-
Income from other Events		655	514
Subscriptions	4	1,290	690
Grants & Donations	5	498	2,858
Costume Hire, Photoshoots etc		150	282
Total		29,688	24,834
Expenditure			
Expenditure on Shows and Plays		24,119	29,309
Expenditure on other Events		207	118
Society Expenses		1,860	1,750
Building Expenses		3,795	2,544
Depreciation	6	389	667
Total		30,370	34,388
Net Income/(Expenditure)		(682)	(9,554)
Reconciliation of Funds			
Total Funds Brought Forward		51,729	61,283
Net Movement in Funds		(682)	(9,554)
Total Funds Carried Forward		51,047	51,729

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Balance Sheet

	Notes 1,2,3	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed Assets			
Buildings	6	36,271	36,271
Fixtures & Fittings	6	785	1,114
Production Equipment	6	238	-
Total Fixed Assets		37,294	37,385
Current Assets			
Stocks	7	62	-
Prepayments & Sundry Debtors	8	726	120
Cash at Bank and in Hand	9	13,468	14,343
		14,256	14,463
Current Liabilities			
Advance Ticket Sales		(360)	-
Accruals & Sundry Creditors	10	(143)	(119)
		(503)	(119)
Current Assets less Current Liabilities		13,753	14,344
Total Net Assets		51,047	51,729
Funds of the Charity			
Unrestricted Funds	12	51,047	51,729
Total Funds		51,047	51,729

The notes on pages 6 to 8 form an integral part of these accounts.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Hilary Wainwright, Treasurer
30 November 2023

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Notes to the Accounts

1 Basis of Preparation

These accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis under the historical cost convention in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities and with the Financial Reporting Standard FRS102 and with the Charities Act 2011.

2 Income Recognition

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- relate to the purchase of fixed assets when they are treated as deferred income and amortised over the useful life of the related assets.
- have specific conditions attached, such as achieving certain results or relating to a period of time, in which case recognition is deferred and released when those results are met or over the agreed period of time.

Donated Goods - Whilst some donated goods are received, they are generally small and impractical to value so are not recognised in the accounts but are very much appreciated.

Volunteers - We are a Musical Amdram and have no employees but many members and other volunteers who perform all aspects of the work involved in running a theatre 'company'. Our performers, set designers and builders, costume and prop makers, stage crew, ticket management, advertising and all legal, financial and other administration is done by our volunteers. Without them we would not exist and their contribution is both immeasurable and impractical to value.

3 Expenditure Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing us to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

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9 Cash at Bank and in Hand

Represents money in our Current and Deposit Accounts and money about to be banked.

10 Creditors and Provisions

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	2023	2022
	£	£
Utilities Accruals	63	19
Sundry Creditors	80	100
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Balance at 30 September	143	119

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