



Metropolitan Cathedral
of Christ the King Liverpool

Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral Choir Association

Annual Report and Financial Statements
For the year ended 31 December 2024

A Registered Charity

Organisation Details

Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral Choir Association

Registered Charity No. 513081

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PATRONS

President

The Most Reverend Malcolm McMahon OP
Archbishop of Liverpool

Vice-Presidents

Monsignor Anthony O'Brien
Dean – Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King

Ms K Peaston
Headteacher, Runnymede, St Edward's

Mr Lee Fabia
Principal, St Edward's College

TRUSTEES

Mrs Christine Nurse	Chair
Mrs Jacqueline Larrosa	Honorary Secretary
Mr Anthony Leo	Honorary Treasurer
Mrs Kerry Blakeley	Fundraising Representative (Boys' Choir)
Position Unfilled	Fundraising Representative (Girls' Choir)
Ms Tracey Bush	Elected Member
Mrs Wendy Callacher	Elected Member
Mr Charlie Warrington	Lay Clerks' Representative
Mrs Anne-Marie Warrington	Co-opted Member
Dr Christopher McElroy	Director of Music
Mr James Luxton	Assistant Director of Music

CHAIR'S REPORT

This has been another year packed with a programme of events, involving all the Metropolitan Cathedral Choirs.

In April, after 11 years in the post, we said farewell to Archbishop Malcolm McMahon OP, and we send all our very best wishes to him. He was succeeded by The Most Reverend John Sherrington, who was installed as the 10th Archbishop of Liverpool during a celebratory Mass in the Cathedral. This type of event is an excellent opportunity for showcasing how talented our Choirs are and enhance the services.

Fundraising continues to focus mainly on larger musical events, held in the Cathedral, which are proving to be very popular with the public and are supported by increasing numbers. We would not be able to host these events if we did not have the support of parents, in the many varied roles needed to put on these events, such as front of house, distributing programmes and providing refreshments, and I genuinely and whole-heartedly thank each and every one of them for their support.

However, we do have smaller fundraising initiatives, and one of these which has proved to be particularly popular is a Choristers' Bake Sale, held once a term, and the success of these events is very much down to the generosity of the parents and friends of the Cathedral who provide us with a varied and delicious selection of cakes to sell.

Continued work being carried out outside the Cathedral meant that once again we had to re-think our usual End of Term picnic. This was scaled down to refreshments in the Gibberd Room, which allowed families to gather and socialise with one another, but more importantly, it provided an opportunity to thank choristers, their families and Lay Clerks for all their commitment and hard work over the year.

I would like to express my gratitude to the Director of Music, Dr McElroy for the tireless work that he has done throughout the year to ensure that the Choristers and Lay Clerks continue to perform throughout the year. I would also like to thank Monsignor O'Brien, and his PA Claire Hanlon for their continued support for the Choirs.

I would particularly like to thank the Association's Secretary, Jackie Larrosa and the Treasurer, Anthony Leo, who have provided so much support to me, throughout the year, despite the many demands and pressures that they face in their daily working lives as well as their "Cathedral" lives. And last, but not least, I would like to thank the members of the Association Committee, who tirelessly provide support; we may be a small team, but thanks to them, we manage to deliver what is required at the different events

Christine Nurse
Chair

TREASURER'S REPORT

The audited accounts to 31 December 2024 are presented in this booklet and have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

In overall terms, the accounts remained healthy at the close of 2024.

Anthony Leo

Treasurer

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Auditor's report to the members of Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral Choir Association (Registered Charity No. 513081) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

In connection with the examination of the above charity's accounts, no matter has come to attention which gives reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements i) to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 1 of the Charities' Act 1993 and ii) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the requirements of the Act have not been met or iii) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Nigel Gloudon

Auditor/Independent Examiner

30 September 2025

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

CHOIRS GENERAL FUND

£

Income

Choir Ties	127.50	
Youth Choir - York	260.00	
		<u>387.50</u>

Expenditure

General Expenses	275.99	
Postage	18.83	
Organ Recital	290.00	
Youth Choir - York	345.18	930.00
Deficit For Year		<u>(542.50)</u>

TOUR FUND

Income

Participants' Contributions	19,435.00	
Fundraising - Various	3,164.68	
Donation - Ken Dodd Charitable Foundation	7,400.00	
Concert Income - Holland	1,255.17	
Concert Income - Other Various	13,474.39	
Organ Recitals	710.00	
		<u>45,439.24</u>

Expenditure

Air Travel	14,469.87	
Accommodation	11,021.62	
Coach Travel - Manchester	1,020.00	
Coach Travel - Germany	1,133.83	
Concert Fundraising Expenses	3,389.35	
Concert Mozart Requiem Expenses	7,762.65	
Meals & Subsistence	1,108.35	
Deposit Refund	350.00	
Recce Trip	350.11	
Fundraising Expenses	879.80	41,485.58
Surplus For Year		<u>3,953.66</u>

CASH CRESCENDO FUND

Income

Lottery Income	1,579.54	
		<u>1,579.54</u>

Expenditure

Prizes	125.00	
		<u>125.00</u>
Surplus For Year		<u>1,454.54</u>

SUBSCRIPTION FUND

Income

Subscriptions	456.00	
		<u>456.00</u>

Expenditure

Choral Whispers	0.00	0.00
Surplus For Year		<u>456.00</u>

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

FCM - GIRLS' CHOIR FUND	£	
Receipts	0.00	
	<hr/>	0.00
Payments		
	0.00	0.00
Surplus For Year	<hr/>	<hr/>
		0.00
FCM - THEORY		
Receipts	0.00	
	<hr/>	0.00
Payments		
		0.00
Surplus For Year	<hr/>	<hr/>
		0.00

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

BANK BALANCES		£
TSB Bank		16,825.37
National Westminster Bank PLC No. 1 Account		53,506.78
National Westminster Bank PLC No. 2 Account		7.34
		<u>70,339.49</u>
 REPRESENTED BY FUNDS		
General Fund		
Brought Forward Balance	8,113.21	
Movement in Year	(542.50)	
		<u>7,570.71</u>
 Tour Fund		
Brought Forward Balance	10,594.43	
Movement in Year	3,953.66	
		<u>14,548.09</u>
 Cash Crescendo Fund		
Brought Forward Balance	15,370.83	
Movement in Year	1,454.54	
		<u>16,825.37</u>
 Subscription Fund		
Brought Forward Balance	7,018.98	
Movement in Year	456.00	
		<u>7,474.98</u>
 Miscellaneous Fund		
Brought Forward Balance	7.34	
Movement in Year	0.00	
		<u>7.34</u>
 FCM - Girls' Choir		
Brought Forward Balance	20,000.00	
Movement in Year	0.00	
		<u>20,000.00</u>
 FCM - Theory		
Brought Forward Balance	3,913.00	
Movement in Year	0.00	
		<u>3,913.00</u>
 Balance		 <u>70,339.49</u>

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ENDOWMENT FUND RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	£
Receipts	
Bank Interest	327.47
Other	25.00
	<u>352.47</u>
Payments	
Bank Account Fees	60.75
Award Disbursements	50.00
	<u>110.75</u>
Surplus	<u><u>241.72</u></u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

Bank Balance	
Balance Per CAFKASH Account	<u><u>163,415.62</u></u>
Represented by Funds	
Brought Forward Balance	163,173.90
Movement	241.72
	<u><u>163,415.62</u></u>