

**THREE SPIRES SINGERS** Charity No **900017**  
**ANNUAL REPORT** for Charity Commission  
**1<sup>st</sup> AUGUST 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> JULY 2025**

**1. OBJECTS**

The objects of Three Spires Singers are to promote, improve, develop and maintain public education in and appreciation of the art and science of music in all its aspects, by the presentation of public concerts and recitals and by such other ways as the committee shall determine.

**2. TRUSTEES** (elected at AGM 9th September 2024)

Chair	Lora Wicks
Treasurer	Simon Price
	Camilla Comeau
	Sally Hind

**3. MUSICAL DIRECTOR**

James Anderson-Besant continued as Musical Director (appointed September 2023).

**4. MEMBERSHIP**

There were approximately 130 singing members and 105 subscribing Patrons and Friends.

**5. MUSICAL ACTIVITIES**

(numbers in brackets are approximate audience numbers)

**16<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024**

Elgar *The Dream of Gerontius* (324)

**7<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

Handel *Messiah* (574)

**5<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

Bach *St Matthew Passion* (324)

**5<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

Tavener 2 pieces; Rachmaninov *Vespers* (240)

**6. OTHER ACTIVITIES**

None.

**7. PRESENT COMMITTEE** (re-elected at AGM 8<sup>th</sup> September 2025)

Chair	Lora Wicks *
Treasurer	Simon Price *
Secretary	Catherine Vincer
Other members	Camilla Comeau *
	Sally Hind *
	Janet Harvey
	Maureen Metcalfe
	Sarah Williams
	Nicola Taylor

\* *Trustees*

Simon Price  
Honorary Treasurer  
4/10/2025

**THREE SPIRES SINGERS Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 July 2025**

	<b>2023-24 LAST YEAR</b>	
	£	
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Members subscriptions	24,638.00	
Patrons subscriptions	3,530.00	
Friends subscriptions	1,948.00	
Tax refunds	6,171.71	
	36,287.71	
Bank interest gross	152.39	
Concert tickets, progs & ads	21,465.52	
Sponsorship and Donations	1,920.00	
Hire/Sale of music	-	
Fund raising	171.99	
Other income	-	
Float back in	200.00	
<b>Total receipts</b>	60,197.61	
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Rehearsals Fees	6,029.00	
Venue	2,057.28	
	8,086.28	
Concerts		
Conductor	2,125.00	
Orchestra, music scores and instruments	15,714.00	
Soloists	7,630.00	
Venues & PRS	15,276.27	
Advertising	40.00	
Printing	2,644.98	
Equipment costs (staging+transport)	834.00	
Music purchase	160.70	
Music hiring	861.82	
	45,286.77	
Fund Raising costs	-	
Administration etc	531.61	
Other expenditure	1,182.84	
Float out	200.00	
Commissions	-	
	1,914.45	
<b>Total payments</b>	55,287.50	
<b>Balance of receipts over payments</b>		4,910.11

**Registered Charity Number 900017**

	<b>2024-25 THIS YEAR</b>	
	£	
	24,018.00	
	4,430.00	
	1,166.00	
	6,365.61	
	35,979.61	
	162.42	
	29,733.11	
	420.00	
	-	
	558.52	
	190.00	
	-	
	67,043.66	
	6,606.00	
	2,244.00	
	8,850.00	
	3,300.00	
	25,678.50	
	13,500.00	
	15,556.82	
	40.00	
	3,580.55	
	1,497.00	
	12.98	
	817.80	
	63,983.65	
	-	
	773.90	
	1,010.51	
	-	
	-	
	1,784.41	
	74,618.06	
		- 7,574.40

## Accumulated fund/Cash funds

	2024	2025
Accumulated fund brought forward	44,805.35	49,715.46
Excess of receipts over payments for year	4,910.11	- 7,574.40
<b>Cash funds carried forward</b>	<b>49,715.46</b>	<b>42,141.06</b>

## Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 July

<b>Cash funds</b>					
	Current account	49,715.46		42,141.06	
<b>Other monetary assets</b>					
<b>Assets retained for choir's own use</b>					
	Music (nominal)	1,444.00		1,500.00	
	Concert music stand (cost)	300.00		300.00	
	Rehearsal music stand (cost)	30.00		30.00	
	Square Card Reader (cost 2024)			183.00	
		1,774.00		2,013.00	
<b>Liabilities</b>	Hire of staging July concert	125.00	est	Cathedral Venue fee JUL concert	3,734.00
<b>Debtors</b>	Michael Spiers July advert	153.00		Unpresented cheque	100.00
				Michael Spiers July advert	153.00
				Cathedral heating refund APR	1,056.00
					Handbells

## BANK ACCOUNT AND RECONCILIATION

	31/07/24	31/07/25
Balance brought forward	44,805.35	
Income for year	60,197.61	49,715.46
Expenditure for year	- 55,287.50	67,043.66
Balance carried forward	49,715.46	- 74,618.06

### Barclays Bank

#### Balance per bank statements at Jul 31st

Community account	38,248.30
Business reserve account	11,267.16
Cash in hand	200.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>49,715.46</b>

Simon Price  
Hon. Treasurer



4th Sept 2025

### Barclays Bank

#### Balance per bank statements at Jul 31st

Community account	30,511.48
Business reserve account	11,429.58
Cash in hand	200.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>42,141.06</b>



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

THREE SPIRES SINGERS

On accounts for the year ended

31-07-2025

Charity no (if any)

900017

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

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 Trust'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

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below \*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

*N. C. Anderson*

Date:

02-09-25

Name:

N. C. Anderson

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

FINANCE AND BUSINESS MANAGER

(if any):

Address:

**Section B Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.