

**Highly Confidential**

**Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Banbridge Musical Society (BMS)**

I have examined the accounts of the Trust of BMS for the year ended 15 June 2023 which are set out on page 3 to 4. This report is made solely to the charity trustees, as a body, in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the Trustees' report and the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. The charity trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 but that an independent examination is required under the Act.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the financial statements under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and the Regulations thereunder,
- follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Signed:

*Liam Bunn*

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Date:

*3rd April 2024*