



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 April 2022 To 31 March 2023

Charity name: BARNSTAPLE CONCERT BAND

Charity registration number: 1194185

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To advance the education of members and of the public in the art and science of music by means of the rehearsal and presentation of concerts.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Barnstaple Concert Band has continued to play in Barnstaple and the local area at various concerts and events. The training band is continuing to encourage and educate playing of musical instruments to promote the aim of the band. (See Achievements and Performance Section).
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the guidance issued by The Charity Commission on public benefit. They continue to follow this in the planning and undertaking of the bands activities

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>The band has been able to play several concerts and events this year which has been good for us all, as it has been difficult in the previous few years due to Covid.</p> <p>We are very pleased that the number of players has increased in both the senior and training band across most sections and both bands are continuing to thrive.</p> <p>In June we played in the Ilfracombe Bandstand during Victorian week. It was a wonderful day and there were many people listening and enjoying the music. We were told that the band added to the whole experience of Victorian week and people were very appreciative.</p> <p>The band played some Carols in the Barnstaple High Street (subject to the correct licence from North Devon District Council) and this was enjoyed by shoppers and members of the public for bringing some Christmas cheer into the town.</p> <p>Barnstaple Concert Band was invited to play at the Grosvenor Church Carol Concert which is always very well attended. It was a lovely festive occasion and the carols and Christmas music was wonderful and loved by all those that were at the concert.</p> <p>In September, in order to enhance the full and rounded sound of the band we purchased a Bass Clarinet. This has made an incredible difference to the balance of the band and is helping out the bass section which has been lacking in numbers recently. We have been fortunate to have new clarinet members join</p>

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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Following the receipt of a legacy during the year, the Charity is in a strong financial position.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The funds will be invested to generate further income to support the charities ongoing work.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	At 31 March 2023 the cash at bank totalled £7,610.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution adopted 8 March 2021
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The first trustees were appointed for a 2 year term ending 31 March 2023. Additional or replacement Trustees will be appointed by resolution at a properly convened meeting of the trustees

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Reference and Administrative details

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Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1194185
Charity's principal address	

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	Lyndon White			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Accountant	Stevens & Willey	Grenville House, 9 Boutport Street, Barnstaple.

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	L. M. White.	J. Williams
Full name(s)	Lyndon White.	JOANNE WILLIAMS
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	TRUSTEE
Date	12.12.2023.	



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