



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date					
From	01	January	2022	To	31	December	2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Amersham Band

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1162520

Charity's principal address Amersham Band

Rectory Hill

Amersham, Bucks.

Postcode

HP7 0BU

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	Fred Harrison	Chairman		
2	Philip Sweetman			
3	Caroline Perkins			

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted on 3 July 2015
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are appointed or re-appointed annually by election at the Annual General Meeting held in March.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Amersham Band is a member of Brass Bands England. This organisation provides support and promotional activities for brass bands.

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The object of Amersham Band is to improve, develop and advance the public education in, and appreciation of, the art and science of brass band music in all its aspects by any means the trustees see fit, including through the presentation of public concerts and practice and performance.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

In planning the activities of Amersham Band, the Trustees have taken into account the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

An important activity is for the band to perform at a wide range of events to entertain the public. These events include formal concerts, civic and public occasions, parades, fetes and other events. This has a benefit to the local community by using music as a way to bring people together enhancing social cohesion.

In accordance with the charitable object, Amersham Band encourages local people to take up brass music by running regular rehearsals, teaching sessions, open workshops, and demonstrations at schools and public events. The band has a range of bands which cater for experienced, intermediate, elementary and beginner levels of ability. The aim of the band's activities is to extend the benefits of learning to play a musical instrument in a group environment, with opportunities available to people of all ages and abilities.

The band runs three teaching groups and a Youth Band which are specifically aimed at young people. There are strong benefits in advancing music education locally for young people. In particular, participating in music groups develops several skills including discipline, teamwork, cooperation, self-confidence, responsibility and social skills. For teenagers, music can make a contribution to self-identity and is a source of support when young people are feeling troubled or lonely.

The band prepares for and participates in music contests, improving quality of performances and advancing the art of brass music for the benefit of its members and the general public.

Amersham Band runs a bursary scheme to support those from a financially disadvantaged background.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

The band is run entirely by unpaid volunteers, with the exception of the Musical Directors who receive payment for expenses. Band members and non-playing volunteers give their time free of charge and meet their own expenses in attending rehearsals, events and concerts. The Trustees recognise the contribution of all these volunteers, without whom the charity would not function.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

By the start of 2022, the activities of Amersham Band had fully recovered from the Government restrictions which were put in place to control the spread of coronavirus. Weekly rehearsals resumed and during the year a full programme of concerts and events was planned and has been delivered.

In 2022, the band launched AmJam, a new informal day-time band for people who prefer to play during the daytime, or who may not have time to attend our evening rehearsals. Brass Blast, a teaching group for beginners was started in the Autumn term and an additional Musical Director has been recruited to help teach and lead the rehearsals for young people.

Both of these new bands have attracted new players and are well supported. By the end of the year the overall membership had grown to 178 members, more than half of whom are children. The band comprised nine separate bands as follows:

- Amersham Band (Championship Section)
- Amersham Concert Brass (Third Section)
- Amersham Big Band
- Amersham Community Band
- Brass Roots (two groups)
- Amersham Youth Band
- AmJam
- Brass Blast

Amersham Concert Brass was assessed as a new entrant to the Brass Band Championships and will compete in the Third Section.

The band made a trip to Bensheim, Amersham's twin town in Germany and participated in the Winzerfest celebrations, performing at the opening ceremony, a joint concert with the local Fehlheim band and marching in the parade.

The newly built bandroom continued to provide a basis for further expansion of the band's activities and has also provided a useful facility for other community activities, including several yoga and Pilates groups, U3A orchestra, Chiltern Probus and other local groups. Private individual music lessons have been provided at the bandroom and several Trinity music exams have been hosted.

A nature and sustainability project has been started to assess and protect the natural environment and wildlife on the bandroom site.

During the year, the band was awarded the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service, once of only four recipients in Buckinghamshire.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The trustees have set a policy to ensure an unrestricted reserve of £5,000 as a minimum is kept in the current account. This is to ensure short term commitments such as Musical Director expenses can be sustained for at least 6 months.

The trustees have established a separate account for revenues and running costs of the new bandroom. A reserve of £3,000 has been set for this account to cover essential costs such as insurance and utility costs.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

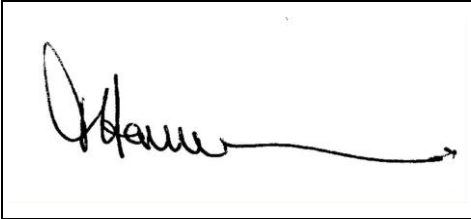
Other optional information

Future Plans. In 2023 it is planned to continue to develop the activities of the band, providing opportunities for all ages and abilities to participate in group music-making.

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Fred Harrison	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairman	
Date	21 March 2023	



Amersham Band No (if any)
1162520

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from 01/01/2021 To Period end 31/12/2022

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	670	8,900	-	9,570	4,495
Grants				-	4,250
Fundraising (including bond sales)	870	5,564	-	6,434	4,516
SubscriptionsInstrument rental	23,345	-	-	23,345	13,878
Engagements	6,501		-	6,501	4,450
Proceeds from events	9,546		-	9,546	7,094
Interest	20		-	20	7
Bandroom income/rent		14,648		14,648	12,489
RHI refunds		402		402	112
Winnings	30	-	-	30	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	40,982	29,514	-	70,496	51,291
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	40,982	29,514	-	70,496	51,291
A3 Payments					
MD expenses	18,283	-	-	18,283	8,845
Rent	7,805	-	-	7,805	5,417
Insurance	921	-	-	921	3,433
Band expenses	15,001	-	-	15,001	10,042
Bandroom costs		6,951	-	6,951	25,699
Bursary payments	75		-	75	90
Bandhall running costs	-	-	-	-	1,868
Bond repayments		10,000		10,000	
Bank charges	83	-	-	83	25
Sub total	42,168	16,951	-	59,119	55,419
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	42,168	16,951	-	59,119	55,419
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,186	12,563	-	11,378	- 4,128
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	17,273	3,831	-	21,103	25,232
Cash funds this year end	16,087	16,394	-	32,481	21,104

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restrict ed funds	Endowme nt funds
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B1 Cash funds

Cash box
RBS Bank account
CAF account
Natwest Bank accounts

Total cash funds
(agree balances with receipts and payments)

to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
81	-	
450		
21,119	8,900	
-	1,930	
21,650	10,830	-

Unrestricted funds

Restricted funds

Endowment funds

to nearest £

to nearest £

to nearest £

B2 Other monetary assets

Details

to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details

Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details

Instruments
Uniforms
Music
Bandhall
Weedon Legacy
Amersham/Bensheim Money

Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Unrestricted	-	-
Unrestricted	-	-
Unrestricted	-	-
Restricted	-	-
Restricted	-	-
Restricted	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-


B5 Liabilities

Details

Bond sales

Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
Restricted	-	
	-	
	-	
	-	
	-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature


Print Name
F HARRISON

Date of approval
17/3/23

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Brought forward from 2021		£	2,345.45	£	1,925.66	-£	497.86	£	958.06	£	-	£	550.00	£	10,468.78	£	15,750.09						
Receipts		AB	Big Band	Concert Brass	ACB	Amjam	Youth Band	Brass Roots	Brass Blast	General	2022 Total												
Donations	General									£	9,570.40	£	9,570.40										
Fund Raising	Easy fundraising/Amazon									£	161.68	£	161.68										
	CD Sales									£	50.00	£	50.00										
	Gift Aid									£	658.45	£	658.45										
	Tubatastic Christmas fundraising									£	5,563.50	£	5,563.50										
	Membership subscriptions (including subs paid early)	£	3,871.00	£	3,361.69	£	3,897.50	£	3,525.00	£	1,715.00	£	3,404.50	£	4,280.00	£	300.00	£	24,354.69				
	Receipts for engagements (see breakdown below)	£	2,410.00	£	-	£	2,580.63		1,175.00		160.00		125.00					£	50.00	£	6,500.63		
	Contest winnings	£	30.00																	£	30.00		
	Instrument rental																						
	Concerts	Mike Lovatt, Hendon, Tredegar, Snowman expenses	£	8,273.61		2011.82		722.44		0.00										£	512.50	£	512.50
			-£	2,981.58		-£533.17		-£179.22												£	2,232.48	£	13,240.35
	Bank interest																			£	-	-£	3,693.96
	Bandroom income																			£	20.17	£	20.17
																				£	3,358.29	£	3,358.29
	Total receipts	£	11,603.04	£	4,840.34	£	7,021.36	£	4,700.00	£	1,875.00	£	3,529.50	£	4,280.00	£	300.00	£	22,177.47	£	60,326.70		
Payments		AB	Big Band	Concert Brass	ACB	Amjam	Youth Band	Brass Roots	Brass Blast	General	2022 Total												
Band expenses	MD fees	£	5,630.00	£	2,500.00	£	3,255.00	£	2,087.50	£	1,320.00	£	1,550.00	£	1,620.00	£	320.00					£	18,282.50
	Rent	£	1,892.00	£	1,140.00	£	1,517.50	£	945.00	£	720.00	£	405.00	£	675.03	£	90.00			£	420.00	£	7,804.53
	Bursary Fund/Covid fund																			£	75.00	£	75.00
	Contest and registration fees	£	3,874.65			£	397.78	£	132.39			£	514.50	£	484.50					£	7.00	£	5,410.82
	Blackpool expenses - income	-£	1,861.00																			-£	1,861.00
	Events					£	-	£	-											£	559.49	£	559.49
	Insurance																			£	921.45	£	921.45
	Instruments and repairs																			£	7,015.25	£	7,015.25
	Music & Equipment	£	325.81	£	1,564.08	£	238.01	£	373.78	£	23.68	£	46.20		40					£	956.55	£	3,568.11
	Coffee/Consumables																			£	4.99	£	4.99
	PRS licence	£	121.51	£	60.76	£	60.76	£	60.75													£	303.78
	Bank charges																			£	83.25	£	83.25
	Bandroom expenses																					£	3,358.29
	Total Payments	£	9,982.97	£	5,264.84	£	5,469.05	£	3,599.42	£	2,063.68	£	2,515.70	£	2,819.53	£	410.00	£	13,401.27	£	45,526.46		
Surplus/Deficit																						£	14,800.24
Band rolling balances		£3,965.52	£1,501.16	£1,054.45	£2,058.64	-£188.68	£1,563.80	£1,460.47	-£110.00	£19,244.98													

Fees for jobs	AB	Big Band	Concert Brass	ACB	AmJam	Youth Band	Brass Roots	General	Bandroom
Street band 4/12/21	450								
Bowls club carols								£ 50.00	
Winchmore Hill Carols	60								
AAG Christmas lights			200						
Masters recording	500								
Jan 22nd street group	300								
Amersham Festival of Music			450						
St George's Day			175	£ 175.00					
Chenies school			200						
Jubilee Street Party			200						
Chesham Bois Fete			300						
Chesham Bois school			100						
Memorial Gardens				£ 125.00		£ 125.00			
Whizzfizz				175	£ 175.00				
Berko pre-prep fete				£ 250.00					
Penn House Garden Party	1000								
The Lee Flower Show			250						
Bensheim concert			238.13						
Addlestone				£ 200.00					
RBL Rickmansworth				£ 250.00					
Gary Grant carols (cancelled but still paid)	100								
Amersham Lights donation			200						
Amersham Christmas Festival					£ 160.00				
Checksum	£ -	£ -	-£ 92.50	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -

Amersham Band accounts - Year ended 31/12/2022

Balance in hand Jan '22	RBS balance 01/01	£ 7,083.09
	CAF balance 01/01	£ 8,627.78
	Cash box 01/01	£ 39.22
	Surplus	£ 14,800.24
	Total	£ 30,550.33

Represented by	RBS Bank balance 31/12/2022	£ 449.95
	CAF Bank 31/12/2022	£ 28,630.58
	Cash in hand 31/12/2022	£ 81.32
	Less non-presented cheques	£ 422.15
	Plus non-reconciled income	£ 1,810.63
	Less 2023 subs paid early	£ -
	Total	£ 30,550.33

free church rent refund

Adjusted to remove 2022 subs paid in 2021

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Funds breakdown	
Amersham Band	£ 3,965.52
Big Band	£ 1,501.16
Concert Brass	£ 1,054.45
ACB	£ 2,058.64
Amjam	-£ 188.68
Youth Band	£ 1,563.80
Unrestricted fund	£ 7,922.71
Tony Weedon Legacy	£ 7,500.00
Amersham Bensheim money/Grant	£ 1,400.00
Instrument fund	£ 3,553.24
Bursary Fund	£ 219.50
Total Funds - Bands and Bandhall	£ 30,550.33

Add Bandhall Fund	£ 1,930.31
Total Funds	£ 32,480.64

Bonds still to be repaid	£ 30,000.00
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£0.00

Accounts prepared by Bridget Harrison

Inspector's Report

I have examined the accounts for Amersham Band for the year ended 31/12/2022 as set out on pages 1-3, together with the paperwork presented to me and I am satisfied that the accounts represent a true and accurate record of the transactions that have occurred

Signed *N. J. Kewen* Date 13/3/23

Amersham Band Band Hall Account
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Receipts		Bandroom
Bandroom fund	Grants	£ -
	Donations and pledges	£ -
	Gift Aid	£ -
	Bond sales	£ -
Rent	Third Party rent	£ 6,512.00
	Amersham Band rent	£ 8,226.03
RHI Refunds		£ 402.43
Bank interest		£ -
Total receipts		£ 15,140.46

Payments		Bandroom
Bond repayments		£ 10,000.00
Build expenses		£ -
Bandroom running	Electricity	£ 1,477.21
	Water	-£ 72.98
	Land rent	£ 1,750.00
	Purchases	£ 1,853.06
	Repairs	£ 758.99
	Consumables	£ 207.97
	Maintenance contracts	£ 54.96
	Insurance	£ 921.45
Total Payments		£ 16,950.66
Surplus/deficit		-£1,810.20

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Inspector's Report

I have examined the accounts for Amersham Band for the year ended 31/12/2022 together with the paperwork presented to me and I am satisfied that the accounts represent a true and accurate record of the transactions that have occurred

Signed *Neil Kenyon* Date *13 March 23*

Had refund as overcharged in 2021

Recognition board, shed, bins

Electrics repairs, bollard repairs, window stickers, new lock and keys

Loo rolls etc

PAT Testing

Natwest 1/1	£ 3,740.51
Surplus/Deficit	-£ 1,810.20
Total	£ 1,930.31

Adjusted because of income not received

£3000 minimum

£ -

NatWest Bank 31/12/2022	£ 2,619.31
Less non-presented cheques	£ 1,000.00
Plus non-reconciled income	£ 311.00
	£ 1,930.31