

THE LYMINGTON CHORAL SOCIETY

**ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST JULY 2018**

Registered Charity Number 288724
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Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st July 2018

Structure, governance and management

The Lymington Choral Society is an association consisting of performing members, associate members and patrons. The Lymington Choral Society has adopted the Model Constitution provided by Making Music, which was authorised for adoption by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting in October and consist of the Society's Officers (Chair, Secretary and Treasurer) and the following representatives of the Society.

The Trustees for the year to 31st July 2018 are

Shirley Hewitt – Chair	Sheila Hammond – Secretary
Nichola Kirby – Treasurer	Karen Brett – Assistant Treasurer
Jill Hendey – Fundraising	Ann Blacklock – Librarian
Maureen Askin – Soprano Rep.	Sue Rusling – Alto Rep.
Barry Kent – Tenor Rep.	Christopher Hobby – Bass Rep.
Barbara Warburton - Minutes Secretary to Committee	
Ann Lewington – Associate Members & Patrons	
Vivien Parsons - Publicity	

The Society banks with HSBC and Charity Investment Fund (COIF) and is a member of Making Music.

Objectives and Activities

The Lymington Choral Society aims to enable singers and musicians in the New Forest and beyond to enjoy making music, developing their musical expertise by the presentation of choral and classical works in accessible local venues.

The Society performed Vivaldi's Gloria and Saint-Saens Oratorio de Noel in Lymington in December 2017. Two carols by Britten were performed by the Society and the concert included popular carols for which there was enthusiastic audience participation. The concert in May 2018 was of Mozart's Ave Verum and Requiem together with the Stabat Mater by Caldara and Pergolesi's Magnificat. In May 2018 members of the Society also visited Vitre in Brittany where they took part in combined concerts with the hosting choir.

Members are involved in fund-raising and social activities during the year. New members are always welcome.

Treasurer's Report

The Society's accounts for the year which are presented on a receipts and payments basis are shown on page 5 with supplementary information on the accounts shown on page 6. There is a deficit for the year which has been deducted from the Society's reserves, all of which are held as unrestricted funds to meet future requirements.

The Trustees express their grateful thanks to Lymington and Pennington Town Council, Rachael Trust, Josephine Baker Trust, VEC Acorn Trust, Rathbones and Wendy Eathorne for grants and donations received. In addition, a donation was received in memory of Vivian & Peggy Burrige, past members of the Society.

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees on 18th September 2018

Shirley Hewitt, Chair

Nichola Kirby, Treasurer

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Independent Examiner's report on the accounts

I report on the Accounts of the Society for the year ended 31st July 2018 which are set out on pages 5 and 6.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to

- Examine the accounts (under section 43 of the Act)
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43 (7)(b) of the Act), and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the Act and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the acthave not been met, or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Roy Patterson FCA
Winchester, Hants

Dated

Lymington Choral Society

(Registered Charity 288724)

Receipts and Payments Account 1 August 2017 to 31 July 2018

2016/2017	Receipts	2017/2018
	Subscriptions	
5,141	Full Members	6,000.00
410	Associate Members and Patrons	600.00
		6,600.00
5,746	Concert tickets and programmes	4,778.85
453	Other concert income	357.90
3,425	Grants and donations	4,100.00
219	Music hire and sales	331.50
708	Gift Aid Tax Recovered	717.50
3,309	Fundraising	2,913.38
29	Interest	26.39
-	Other income	-
		13,225.52
19,439	Total regular income	19,825.52
	Payments	
	Concert costs	
5,210	Orchestra and keyboards	5,410.00
2,400	Soloists	2,600.00
940	Conductor	1,120.00
1,048	Church and hall hire	1,105.00
1,331	Publicity and programmes	1,210.45
	Music	
69	Voice	982.19
143	Orchestra	0.00
		982.19
506	Other concert expenses	386.28
		12,813.92
	Rehearsal costs	
2,656	Conductor	3,033.20
1,652	Accompanist	1,876.00
1,133	Hall hire	1,414.50
33	Publicity and printing	111.60
471	MM - Insurance /PRS	474.63
		6,909.93
236.93	Administration	319.05
456.50	Fundraising costs	176.50
216.00	Website maintenance	551.40
-	Bank charges	-
-	Miscellaneous	-
		-
18,500	Total regular payments	20,770.80
939	Surplus/(Deficit) for the period in respect of regular activities	(945.28)
12,168	Balance from previous year	13,107.21
13,107	Balance carried forward in respect of regular activities	12,161.93
272	Entertainment Fund balance from previous year	272.06
-	Entertainment /French visit fundraising	4,300.00
	Entertainment / French visit costs	(3,824.22)
	Entertainment Fund	747.84
272	Total balance carried forward	12,909.77
13,379		
	Represented by	
	Cash at bank	
5,063	Current	4,569.54
8,317	Investment	8,340.23
-	Cash in hand	-
13,379		12,909.77

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Notes to the accounts for the year to 31st July 2018

Note 1 Grants and donations

During the year the Society has benefitted from the following grants and donations used either for specific purposes or for general activities.

Rachael Trust	1,000.00
Lymington & Pennington Town Council	200.00
Rathbones	500.00
Memorial donation - Burr ridge	150.00
VEC Acorn Trust	1,000.00
Josephine Baker Trust	1,200.00
Trinity Laban Concert	50.00
	£4,100.00

Note 2 Gift Aid Tax Recovered

A claim was made for tax to be recovered under HMRC's Gift Aid scheme and going forward a claim will be made annually and all members are asked to consider participating where possible.

Note 3 Fundraising

Members were involved in several fundraising activities during the course of the year and the net income from each activity is shown below. The Committee wishes to record its thanks to everyone involved in raising these most important funds.

	Rehearsal refreshments	Weekly Raffle	Spring Fayre	Cream Teas	Quiz night	Milford Lunch	Total
Gross income	65.28	810.48	864.62	187.00	539.00	447.00	2,913.38
Expenses	0.00	0.00	(111.50)	0.00	(65.00)	0.00	(176.50)
	£65.28	£810.48	£753.12	£187.00	£474.00	£447.00	£2,736.88