

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2023.

History, objectives and activities of the Society: The Tayside Organists' Society was formed in the 1950's and its principal aims are the informal meetings of organists and others interested in church music and to strengthen public awareness in our activities. The society is a registered charity in Scotland. The purpose/objects of the Society are to advance the education of the public and its members in the art of music and in particular organ music by the presentation of public performances and other related activities and in furtherance thereof:-

- (a) to arrange lectures and recitals and to encourage facilities for discussion in all matters of interest to church and other organists;
- (b) to encourage the composition, study and performance of organ, choral and church music;
- (c) to bring into closer fellowship organists and others with an interest in the organ in the Tayside area;
- (d) to liaise and co-operate with other organisations having related aims.

This year year, due to the Coronavirus outbreak, we have had to cancel our proposed meetings. Whilst Government restrictions continues, all meetings will be held on-line.

Management and Governance Arrangements: The Society is governed by a written constitution. At each Annual General Meeting, there are elected President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and four Trustees. At least two new trustees are appointed at each Annual General Meeting as per the constitution of the society. The relaxation of Covid restrictions allowed activities to resume in the latter half of 2021, and the 2022 AGM was held in May at St Mary's Episcopal Church, Broughty Ferry. Meetings over the past year have been enjoyable and varied, with more participation by society members. A visit to historic organs in Stonehaven, a concert by pupils of Morgan Academy, recitals by members, and a viewing of the recent documentary, 'Organ Stops - Saving the King of Instruments', were just some of our activities, full details of which can be found on our well managed and up to date website. The last of these highlighted the concerning situation of many magnificent pipe organs being scrapped on becoming redundant during the current spate of church closures, and the society is now taking active steps in an attempt to forestall such situations. Trustees meetings continue to be held regularly to ensure the smooth running of the society, and the current season will end with our AGM in May, 2023

Reserves Policy: The society does not intend that the level of reserves be reduced. It sees this as being a way of covering any unforeseen circumstances that may arise in the future. Sufficient funds will be retained to cover at least one year's total expenditure.

Investment Policy: Since the reserves are not large, the Trustees intend in the foreseeable future to avoid risk by keeping funds in appropriate Bank Accounts. This policy will, however, be kept under review.

Grant Making Policy: The Society may award grants to individuals to assist the study and development of organ music, subject to the approval of the Trustees.

Risk Policy: The block insurance of the IAO of which the Society is a member, provides protection against public liability and other risks. This is in accordance with the IAO Services in their Member's Information Guide.

Data Privacy Policy: The Society has formulated its own Data Privacy Policy in line with recent legislation and this can be obtained on the Society's web site. The policy will be reviewed at least every two years.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities: Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which show a fair and true view of the state of affairs for the charity and its financial activities for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
2. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
3. state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
4. prepare the financial statements on the ongoing concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the society will continue in operational existence.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Society and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations, 2006, and any subsequent legislation. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Society and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention of fraud and other irregularities.

Independent Examiner:

The Trustees intend to ask the existing examiners, Bird, Simpson & Co, to undertake the independent examination of the Society in the following year.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees.

Signed

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Ian McLagan, Treasurer,

4 April 2023

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Ronald Oliver , President,

4 April 2023

TAYSIDE ORGANISTS' SOCIETY RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH, 2023.

	Unrestricted Funds, 2023	Restricted Funds, 2023	Total 2023	Total 2022
<u>Receipts</u>				
Subscriptions	£1095.00	£0	£1095.00	£1140
Tax Refunds	287.54	0	287.54	309
Other Income	55.00	0	55.00	65
TOTAL				
RECEIPTS	<u>£1437.54</u>	<u>£ 0</u>	<u>£1437.54</u>	<u>£1514</u>
<u>Payments</u>				
IAO Fees	£ 144.00	£0	£ 144.00	£ 152
Meetings	619.85	0	619.85	264
Bird Simpson	120.00	0	120.00	120
Printing, etc	53.15	15.10	68.25	50
Web Site	159.76	0	159.76	55
Donation	50.00	0	50.00	0
TOTAL				
PAYMENTS	<u>£ 1146.76</u>	<u>£15.10</u>	<u>£ 1161.86</u>	<u>£ 641</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>£ 290.78</u>	<u>£(15.10)</u>	<u>£ 275.68</u>	<u>£ 873</u>
 BANK BALANCES.				
Balances				
b/forward	£7734.26	15.10	£ 7749.36	£ 6877
Surplus (Deficit)	290.78	(15.10)	275.68	£ 873
Balance				
c/forward	<u>£8025.04</u>	<u>£ (0)</u>	<u>£ 8025.04</u>	<u>£ 7750</u>

No trustees received any expenses from the Society during the accounting period up to 31 March 2023.

TAYSIDE ORGANISTS' SOCIETY

Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Income	<u>2021/22</u>	<u>2022/23</u>
Subscriptions	£ 1140.00	£1095.00
Tax Refunds	308.86	287.54
Misc. Income and Donations	<u>65.10</u>	<u>55.00</u>
	£ 1513.96	£1437.54
Expenditure		
IAO Capitation Fees	£ 152.00	£ 144.00
Meeting Expenses	264.39	619.85
Independent Examiner	120.00	120.00
Web Site Expenses	54.82	159.76
Printing, etc.	50.00	68.25
Donation	<u>0</u>	<u>50.00</u>
	£ 641.21	£1161.86
Surplus/(Deficit) for year	<u>£ 872.75</u>	<u>£ 275.68</u>

Statement of Funds as at 31 March 2023.

Funds as at 1 April 2021	£ 6876.61	£ 7749.36
Add Surplus/(Deficit) for Year	<u>872.75</u>	<u>275.68</u>
Funds as at 31 March 2022.	<u>£ 7749.36</u>	<u>£ 8025.04</u>
Represented by –		
Bank of Scotland Current Account	<u>£ 7749.36</u>	<u>£ 8025.04</u>

Certified a true abstract of the Accounts of the Tayside Organists' Society for the year ended 31 March, 2023.

Signed

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Ian McLagan, Treasurer, 4 April 2023.

Independent Examiner's Report o the Trustees of Tayside Organists' Society

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st. March 2023 which are set out on page 4.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the account in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulations 10(1)(a) to (c) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1)(c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) 2006. 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 include consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statements

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - . to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
 - . to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations
 have not been met, or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the account to be reached.

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Messrs Bird, Simpson & Co.,
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26/04/23