
Registered Charity Number: SC040021 (Scotland)

MAYFIELD SINGERS
Known as Orkney Chamber Choir
(a registered charity)

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

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Trustees' Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

Governing Document

The choir is a charitable unincorporated association and the purposes and administration arrangements are set out in our constitution. This is under review at the time of writing.

Name

In 2025 the members agreed to change the charity's 'known as' name to Orkney Chamber Choir. The legal name remains as Mayfield Singers. It is intended to change the legal name to Orkney Chamber Choir when a new constitution is adopted, probably in 2027.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

The trustees were those appointed *ex officio* on the establishment of the charity and represent the minimum number required by the constitution in addition to other officers who may be appointed by the choir from time to time. Appointment and removal are in accordance with the constitution, which requires that appointment is approved by the membership who may, at any meeting, determine other positions of office.

Charitable Purposes

Our purposes, as recorded in our constitution, broadly encompass the advancement of education, the advancement of music and its associated heritage, and the organisation of musical activities with the object of improving the conditions of life for the participants of the choir and of those who listen to them. These aims are to be achieved by the choir singing challenging music (mainly unaccompanied) in concerts throughout their home-base of Orkney and by touring outwith Orkney, including abroad.

Choral Director

Robert Hersey has been the choir's Musical Director for the whole of 2025.

Activities and Achievements

The choir met throughout 2025 and gave a number of performances.

We presented our own concert in St Magnus Cathedral in April with the title "Peace and Joy" This featured a wide range of music from different periods. We raised over £540 in donations to Soma's Light, a local charity dedicated to improving mental health for young people. In September we performed once again during Orkney International Science Festival, and in December the choir took part in the carol service at South Ronaldsay Church in St Margaret's Hope.

Financial Review

The accounts for 2025 were prepared by Dorothy Taylor on a receipts and payments basis.

Total receipts for the year were £1,243 (2024: £1,271) and total payments were £1,061 (2024: £1,096) leading to a surplus of £183 (2024: £175). There was no concert income; instead donations were collected for designated charities.

At 31 December 2025 total assets were £4,588 (2024: £4,406) including £2,816 designated funds (see below and notes). Trustees are satisfied that the remaining £1,772 is adequate to continue running the choir at reasonable subscription rates for the next financial year.

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Designated Fund

There was no expenditure from this fund during 2025 and at the end of the year funds of £2.816 remained set aside for the purpose of future choir development, tours and equipment.

Reserves Policy

The policy of the charity is to hold a minimum of 30% of annual expenditure in the general fund. This has been achieved.

Members Subscriptions

The figure remained at £50 for 2025.

Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

The trustees did not receive any remuneration or expenses during the year. Reimbursements totalling £725.13 were made to the Treasurer in respect of purchases and donations made on behalf of the charity.

Trustees:	Dorothy Taylor	Chair and Treasurer
	Carolyn Chalmers	Concert Manager
	Marjory MacLean	Secretary
	Jane Partridge	Trustee
	Russell Aitken	Trustee (appointed March 2025)

Independent Examiner: The accounts have been examined by Kathryn Beharie of Voluntary Action Orkney. Her report is given below.

Bankers: Bank of Scotland, 56 Albert Street, Kirkwall, Orkney KW15 1JS

Contact address: The Charity's registered address is Kilmora, Rendall, Orkney KW17 2HD

This report was approved by the Trustees and members on 17 September 2026 and signed on their behalf by:



Carolyn Chalmers
Trustee



Dorothy Taylor
Trustee and Treasurer

APPENDIX 3



		Independent examiner's report on the accounts						v2
Report to the trustees/members of		Mayfield Singers (Known as Orkney Chamber Choir)						
Registered charity number		SC040021						
On the accounts of the charity for the period		Period start date				Period end date		
		Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
		01	01	2025	to	31	12	2025
Set out on pages		6-9						
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner		The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) 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 2006 Accounts Regulations. 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 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 statement		In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention - which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements: - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) 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 - to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.						
Signed:						Date:	22/09/2026	
Name:		Kathryn Beharie						
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):								
Address:		c/o Voluntary Action Orkney						
		6 Bridge Street						
		Kirkwall						
		Orkney KW15 1HR						

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT (Note 1)

	Notes	Restricted funds 2025	Unrestricted funds 2025	Total funds 2024
Receipts				
Income from Principal activities	2	0	0	0
Subscriptions	2	0	698	941
Gift Aid recoverable	2	0	0	0
Donations		541	0	330
Investment income		0	0	0
Total receipts		541	702	1,271
Payments				
Concert expenses		0	167	0
Donations		541	0	330
Rehearsal room hire	3		90	495
Music hire and purchase		0	48	0
Tours and workshops		0	0	0
Insurance		0	50	40
Director's expenses		0	0	0
Subscriptions		0	50	113
Total Payments		541	520	1,096
Net surplus/(deficit)		0	183	175
Funds brought forward	4	0	4,406	4,231
Funds carried forward	4	0	4,588	4,406

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STATEMENT OF BALANCES

	Total 2025 (including restricted funds)	Total 2024
Bank and cash balances brought forward	4,406	4,231
Movement in Year		
Excess of Receipts over payments for the year	183	175
Bank and cash balances carried forward	4,589	4,406
Investments	0	0
Assets		
Gift Aid due 2022 to 2025 (estimated)	480	480
Liabilities	0	0

Approved by the Members and Trustees on 17 September 2026 and signed on their behalf:



Carolyn Chalmers
Trustee



Dorothy Taylor
Trustee and Treasurer

The notes on pages 8 and 9 form part of these accounts.

MAYFIELD SINGERS**Trustees' Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS****1. The accounts have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis.**

Figures are rounded to the nearest pound.

2. Receipts

- Receipts from Principal Activities consist of ticket sales and donations to the charity at concerts.
- Subscriptions are amounts received from members of the Mayfield Singers.
- No Gift Aid was received during from 2022 TO 2025. Registration with HMRC is being renewed at the time of writing.
- All subscriptions, donations and other receipts are recorded when received.

3. Payments

- Room hire covers the whole of 2025 excluding a summer break
- Other Expenses includes Examination Fees, Library Expenses, Postage, Website Costs and Miscellaneous.

4. Funds

Unrestricted Funds: These are expendable at the discretion of Trustees only in furtherance of the Objects of the Charity.

Restricted Funds: These are funds raised from donations to a named charity and passed on to that charity.

Designated Funds: These are unrestricted funds set aside by the Trustees for the purpose of financing future workshops, tours and equipment for choir use. The movements in the funds during the year were as follows:

	At 1.1.25	Receipts	Payments	At 31.12.25
Designated tours fund	2,816	0	0	2,816
General fund	1,590	1,243	1,061	1,772
Total Funds	4,406	1,243	1,061	4,588

5. Transactions with Trustees

No Trustee received any remuneration and expenses reimbursed to Trustees in the year to 31 December 2025 were nil. Reimbursements totalling £725.13 were made to the Treasurer in respect of purchases and donations made on behalf of the charity.

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6. Taxation

Since all the Charity's activities and all its receipts and payments are devoted exclusively in furtherance of its Objects and since no trading activities have taken place, the Trustees consider that the Charity's income falls outside the scope of Corporation Tax. Consequently no provision for taxation has been made.

7. Assets

£480 is the estimated amount receivable from HMRC in relation to the financial years 2022 to 2025.

8. Cash at bank and in hand

The amounts shown are the balances at the year end held at the Bank of Scotland and in cash. The cash balance at 31 December 2025 was £125.