

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: CE027839 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1197362

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025
FOR
LAKELAND SINFONIA CIO**

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LAKELAND SINFONIA CIO

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LAKELAND SINFONIA CIO
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The objectives of the Charity is to educate the public in the art and science of classical music and in particular to:

- Promote orchestral concerts in South Lakeland, particularly in Kendal.
- Manage a chamber orchestra formed of players principally from Cumbria and North Lancashire, but also from other areas as necessary, to take part in concerts for as long as the society considers such as orchestra viable.
- Introduce classical music to young people by running a Youth Education project in schools and elsewhere in the community.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

The charity continues to operate the Lakeland Sinfonia Orchestra, which is composed principally of local and regional professional players and teachers to support their musical development.

During the year, Martin Hughes, former associate leader of Northern Sinfonia (RNS), and Head of Strings at the RCS, Glasgow, was appointed Artistic Director, and Fay Sweet, principal violist and animateuse was appointed Artists' Secretary.

During the period of this report from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 Lakeland Sinfonia staged a total of four orchestral concerts, two of which took place in the Westmorland Hall of Kendal Leisure Centre, one in Kendal Town Hall and one in Holy Trinity Parish Church, Kendal.

In addition, the charity staged three Live & Local lunchtime chamber music recitals at the Old Laundry Theatre, Bowness-on-Windermere, and one at Kendal Town Hall.

Tickets for all these events were available to the public in addition to members of the charity and its donors.

The charity has continued the scheme to offer young people, usually sixth form students, the opportunity to act as 'Youth Ambassadors' in front of house roles at concert events. This experience is of great value to participants for their CVs and in applications for further education and employment.

At one Kendal primary school the charity operated a pilot scheme of the nascent Youth Education project with the objective of furthering the musical education, enjoyment and knowledge of the school pupils. Three visits to Castle Park School during May and June 2025 by players from the Lakeland Sinfonia orchestra were delivered at the school for Key Stage 2 pupils. Feedback from the sessions was highly positive.

In 2024-25 the charity was awarded an Arts Council grant for a project to deliver eight orchestral concerts plus some outreach events. This was partly delivered by the charity staging two orchestral concerts in the Westmorland Hall, and the pilot of the Youth Education Project.

The charity delivered the six remaining concert performances of the Arts Council project by contracting with the Glasshouse (Royal Northern Sinfonia) to have those concerts performed in the Westmorland Hall for an agreed fee per concert. This variation to the long-standing partnership between the charity and the Glasshouse (RNS) was to transfer responsibility for administration, ticketing and concert costs to the Glasshouse and has resulted in a significant reduction in the charity's turnover and potential financial liabilities.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The trustees have agreed that sufficient unrestricted funds should be held to enable the charity to meet contracted amounts in the event of the society having to cancel a concert or season of concerts. The consequences of the policy are reviewed annually when the annual accounts are approved. The charity has an insurance policy to cover the costs in the event of a cancellation.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The trustees are elected by and out of the members of the society at the annual general meeting. Trustees hold office for one year and are eligible for re-election.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number
CE027839 (England and Wales)

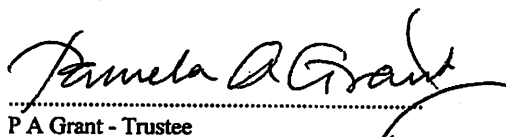
Registered Charity number
1197362

Registered office
92 Stricklandgate
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Trustees
C Fox (resigned 31/8/24)
Mrs S Watson (resigned 31/12/24)
J Pollard
P A Grant
S Cvijanovic
Mrs B M Starling (appointed 9/6/25)
Mrs K M Carter (appointed 1/7/24)
Miss F M Sweet (appointed 7/4/25)

Independent Examiner
Jennifer Marshall FCCA
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 15 AUG 2025 and signed on its behalf by:


P A Grant - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
LAKELAND SINFONIA CIO**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Lakeland Sinfonia CIO ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').


Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Jennifer Marshall FCCA
The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

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Date: 20.8.25

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**

	Notes	2025 Unrestricted fund £	2024 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		51,182	22,767
Charitable activities			
Concerts		21,170	105,345
Other trading activities	2	7,280	13,171
Investment income	3	925	986
Total		<u>80,557</u>	<u>142,269</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Concerts		102,096	123,824
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(21,539)	18,445
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		96,786	78,341
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>75,247</u></u>	<u><u>96,786</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

LAKELAND SINFONIA CIO

BALANCE SHEET 30 JUNE 2025

	Notes	2025 Unrestricted fund £	2024 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	7	82	102
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	8	4,894	42
Cash at bank and in hand		72,429	126,232
		<u>77,323</u>	<u>126,274</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(2,158)	(29,590)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>75,165</u>	<u>96,684</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		75,247	96,786
NET ASSETS		<u>75,247</u>	<u>96,786</u>
FUNDS	10		
Unrestricted funds		75,247	96,786
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>75,247</u>	<u>96,786</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 June 2025.

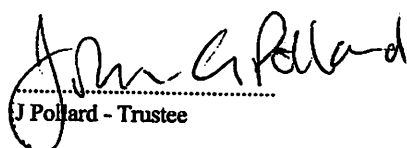
The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2025 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 15 AUG 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:


J Pollard - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Computer equipment - 20% reducing balance

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Sponsorships	7,000	10,010
Friends of the society	280	3,161
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	7,280	13,171
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
Deposit account interest	925	986
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4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2025	2024
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	20	25
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2025 nor for the year ended 30 June 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 June 2025 nor for the year ended 30 June 2024.

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	22,767
Charitable activities	
Concerts	105,345
Other trading activities	13,171
Investment income	986
Total	<u>142,269</u>
EXPENDITURE ON	
Charitable activities	
Concerts	<u>123,824</u>
NET INCOME	18,445
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	78,341
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>96,786</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment £
COST	
At 1 July 2024 and 30 June 2025	159
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 July 2024	57
Charge for year	20
At 30 June 2025	77
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 30 June 2025	82
At 30 June 2024	102

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade debtors	4,894	42

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade creditors	308	736
Accruals and deferred income	1,850	28,854

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.7.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	96,786	(21,539)	75,247
TOTAL FUNDS	96,786	(21,539)	75,247

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	80,557	(102,096)	(21,539)
TOTAL FUNDS	80,557	(102,096)	(21,539)

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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.7.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	78,341	18,445	96,786
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>78,341</u>	<u>18,445</u>	<u>96,786</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	142,269	(123,824)	18,445
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>142,269</u>	<u>(123,824)</u>	<u>18,445</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.7.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	78,341	(3,094)	75,247
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>78,341</u>	<u>(3,094)</u>	<u>75,247</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	222,826	(225,920)	(3,094)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>222,826</u>	<u>(225,920)</u>	<u>(3,094)</u>

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11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 June 2025.

12. GRANTS

Total Grant funding of £48,936 was received from the Arts Council relating to the 2024/25 season.

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**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**

	2025 £	2024 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	549	11,908
Gift aid	1,697	3,259
Grants	48,936	7,600
	<hr/> 51,182	<hr/> 22,767
Other trading activities		
Sponsorships	7,000	10,010
Friends of the society	280	3,161
	<hr/> 7,280	<hr/> 13,171
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	925	986
Charitable activities		
Ticket sales	19,710	102,755
Membership fees	1,460	2,590
	<hr/> 21,170	<hr/> 105,345
Total incoming resources	<hr/> 80,557	<hr/> 142,269
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Lakeland Sinfonia Orchestra	29,096	15,279
Visiting Orchestra's	36,000	53,121
Performance expenses	22,117	31,382
Box office management	1,598	3,565
Marketing and advertising	6,795	12,347
Education project	1,550	-
	<hr/> 97,156	<hr/> 115,694
Support costs		
Management		
Insurance and subscriptions	924	891
Printing, postage and admin	-	809
Computer and software	309	1,327
Depreciation of tangible and heritage assets	20	25
	<hr/> 1,253	<hr/> 3,052
Finance		
Bank charges	612	1,498

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**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**

	2025 £	2024 £
Finance		
Governance costs		
Independent examiners fee	1,500	1,300
Bookkeeping fees	1,575	2,280
	<u>3,075</u>	<u>3,580</u>
Total resources expended	<u>102,096</u>	<u>123,824</u>
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>(21,539)</u>	<u>18,445</u>

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