

DUNDEE ORCHESTRAL SOCIETY

**Report and Accounts
2024-2025**

**Scottish Charity: SCO11490 (then
SCO53732 from 210325)**

Dundee Orchestral Society

Annual Report and Accounts for year ended 30 June 2025

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Dundee Orchestral Society

Reference and Administrative Information

Year ended 30 June 2025

Address: 95 Denoon Terrace, Dundee, DD2 2DG

Charity reference:

**SCO11490 - changed over to SCO53732 on 210325
when became a SCIO.**

Office Bearers:

**For charity purposes, the Office Bearers are the trustees
of the Society.**

President	Duncan Maynes
Vice-president	Helen McIntyre
Secretary	Colin McHardy
Treasurer	Morag Ward
Social Media	Ian Towson
Librarian	Ian Anderson
Ordinary Members	Sarah Arthur
	Yvonne Evans
	Garry Fraser
	Ian Jarvis
	Lynsey Maynes
Archivist	Garry Fraser
Publicity	Ian Jarvis

Safeguarding Officer Helen McIntyre

Other roles but not on committee:

Program Organiser Alison Sleigh

Fundraising Manager Donald Gordon

Web Master Emma Arandjelovic

Independent Examiner:

David Baker

Dundee Volunteer & Voluntary Action

Number Ten

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TREASURER'S REPORT FOR DSO SEASON 2024-25

We have completed another full season of 3 successful concerts with good feedback from members and audiences. Our finances are in good shape for now. We have an orchestra membership of around 80 for whom we provide a valuable chance to play concert programmes and play in the wonderful Dundee Caird Hall. Audience numbers have been good so we are obviously providing value for the local population.

Overall we made a loss of £6500 on the concerts themselves. This is not ideal but it is not possible to make a profit on them in the current financial climate.

Our other sources of income have covered this loss. We have received a fabulous £10,550 of funding from charitable trusts thanks to a lot of effort from our fundraising manager; we have our usual £500 grant from Dundee City Council; our DSO trust has given us an income of £646; gift aid has raised almost £1500 (the last instalment for this year will appear in next year's accounts); our investment accounts have yielded £1500 in interest and we ran a very successful pub quiz that raised £660.

We are looking forward to a further challenging program for 2025-26. We are aware that music expenses will be quite high for next year.

Dr Morag Ward

DSO treasurer

July 2025

Reserves

At the end of the year the society held funds of £60,544.22. The committee is aware that this level of funds may be excessive for the immediate needs of an amateur orchestra. This is largely due to a substantial legacy received in 2012. This

has ensured our financial future for some years to come and has allowed us to put on more ambitious programmes than we might have done otherwise.

New Playing Members.

If anyone is interested in becoming a new playing member of the orchestra, they should contact our secretary on :
dsosecretary@gmail.com

Friends of DSO

Non-playing members of the public are invited to support the work of the orchestra by becoming a Friend of DSO. For a monthly standing order of a minimum £3 per month or an annual equivalent payment, the following is offered:

- 2 tickets for each concert at £2 less than the concession rate

- Priority advance booking

- Reserved seating for events in St Paul's Cathedral

- Regular news detailing the orchestra's activities

An invitation to an open rehearsal of the orchestra each term when you can meet the orchestra members.

If anyone would like more information about becoming a friend, please contact Garry Fraser at wgfraser56@hotmail.com

Orchestra Social Media:

The orchestra has its own website giving information and includes accounts, archives etc.

www.dundeesymphonyorchestra.org.uk

We also have a Facebook page :

www.facebook.com/DundeeSymphonyOrchestra

**Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of Dundee Orchestral Society (SCIO)
Scottish Charity SC053732 – and Previous charity SC011490**

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 30th June 2025, which are set out on the accompanying pages.

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. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Account 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) Regulations 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 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 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.

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6th August 2025

Dundee Orchestral Society (SCIO)

Scottish Charity SCO11490 then SCO53732 from 21 March 25

Receipts and payments account for year ended 30 June 2025

				2025	2024
		Unrestricted	Restricted		
Receipts	Note £			£	£
Grants & donations	3	2,826	10,300	13,126	3,016
Subscriptions	4	6,576		6,576	6,929
Concert income	5	16,334		16,334	14,822
DSO trust income	6	646		646	626
Interest received	7	1,929		1,929	1,089
Total Receipts in year		28,311	10,300	38,611	26,482
Payments:					
<i>Payments for charitable activities:</i>					
Concert costs	5	17,701	10,300	28,001	23,538
Equipment purchased		390		390	2,589
Subscriptions (Making Music)		313		313	298
Administration	8	321		321	162
Insurance		289		289	283
Total payments for charitable activities		19,014	10,300	29,314	26,870
<i>Governance costs</i>					
Independent examination		175		175	200
Total governance costs		175		175	200
Total payments in year		19,189	10,300	29,489	27,070
Net (payments) / receipts in year		9,122	-	9,122 -	587

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Statement of Balances as at 30 June 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
<i>Funds reconciliation:</i>		
Funds brought forward at 1 July	51,423	52,010
Net (payments) / receipts in year	9,122	- 587
Funds carried forward at 30 June	<u>60,544</u>	<u>51,423</u>
<i>Bank & cash balances:</i>		
Royal Bank of Scotland - current account	15,786	6,655
Cambridge & Counties - 180 day account	14,758	14,123
Cambridge & Counties - 1 year fixed account	10,000	10,000
Cambridge & Counties - 3 year fixed account	20,000	20,646
Total funds	<u>60,544</u>	<u>51,423</u>

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1. Basis of accounting

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

2. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

Committee members do not receive remuneration or expenses for their services but may apply for reimbursement for out of pocket expenses rising from their duties,

No remuneration was paid to trustees during the year (2023: £Nil) and no expenses were reimbursed to them (2023: £Nil).

3. Grants and donations

	2025	2024
	£	£
Restricted		
Grant from DCC	500	400
Donations – Charitable Trusts	9,800	
	<u>10,300</u>	<u>400</u>
Unrestricted		
Donations- members	567	405
Donations – Charitable Trusts	750	750
Donations – Other	310.5	100
HMRC- Gift Aid	1,198.91	1,361
	<u>2,826</u>	<u>3,016</u>

4. Subscriptions

	2025	2024
	£	£
Annual subscriptions	5695	6,215
Friends of DSO	881	714
	<u>6,576</u>	<u>6,929</u>

5 Concert income & costs

	2025	2024
	£	£
Concert receipts		
Sale of tickets	14,277	13,562
Sale of programmes / raffle proceeds	1,518	948
Programme advertising	300	139
Tea & Coffee money	239	173
	<u>16,334</u>	<u>14,822</u>

Concert payments

Conductor fees & expenses	8,826	8,419
Leader's fees	4,495	3,601
Soloist fees & exp	1,755	1,810
Extra players fees & exp	1,391	658
Hire of concert venues	3,744	3,369
Hire of rehearsal halls	2,500	2,325
Hire & exp for music	1,559	396
Printing - posters / prog / tickets	1,729	1,639
Box office charges	603	534
Instrumental hire	863	787
Other costs	9	-
Performing Rights	528	-
	28,001	23,538
Net concert receipts/(payments)	- 11,667	- 8,716

6. Dundee Orchestral Society trust income

This trust was set up anonymously many years ago for the benefit of the orchestra. It is administered separately by trustees. The society receives the income from the trust fund but has no entitlement to the capital of the fund.

7 Interest received

	2025	2024
	£	£
Cambridge and Counties	1,499	963
Royal Bank of Scotland	430	127
	1,929	1,089

(includes £300 compensation payment from RBS)

8. Admin payments /other.

	2025	2024
	£	£
Fees for use of SUMUP cardreader	81	
Voucher for conductor	100	
Website fees	140	
Sponsorship of school's competition		100
	321	100