

Brigstowe Village Band ('BVB') Financial Report

For the period 1 September 2025 to 31 August 2026

In the analysis below, equivalent figures for the 2024 -25 financial year have been shown (the right hand column) so they can be compared to the current year (2025 - 26).

The number of members at 31 August 2026 was 28, down from 30 at the end of the previous year, reflected in a small drop in subscription income.

Pleasingly, the income from gigs continues to increase and is significantly higher than the previous year.

The cost of hall hire is very similar to the previous year.

Overall, on a cash basis of accounting, a surplus of £413.99 has been generated over the 2025 - 26 financial year. However, at the time of producing these accounts the invoice for the August rehearsal hall hire has not been received. So, the bank balance and surplus for the year are effectively overstated by £49.50.

Given the current stable state of BVB's finances, I recommend that subscriptions should remain unchanged at £10 per month for the forthcoming 2026 - 27 financial year.

However, it can be seen that most of BVB's income comes from member subscription, and hence is very dependent on the number of members. In addition, most of BVB's costs are fixed for its current level of activity (our Musical Director and the hiring of a rehearsal space) i.e. the costs are unchanged irrespective of the number of members. As a further uncertainty, the income from gigs is very unpredictable - it depends on who wants us to play.

Therefore, BVB's finances could be eroded quite quickly by a reduction in the number of members and/or a significant reduction in income generating gigs. Hence, it is always possible that the Treasurer may need to recommend an increase in subscriptions at some future time.

Of course, if the number of members were to reduce significantly, the band may also wish to reconsider its level of activity (primarily the number of rehearsals).

As further information, the breakdown of the 'Sundries' figure below is as follows:

Insurance	£	95.00
Website	£	62.40
Printing	£	50.70
Refreshments	£	37.52
Equipment	£	14.89
Bank charges	£	24.00
Training	£	10.00
	£	294.51

	2025 - 2026	2024 - 2025
Income	£	£
Subscriptions	£ 3,400.00	£ 3,500.00
Workshops	£ -	£ 160.00
Gigs	£ 575.00	£ 420.00
Total	£ 3,975.00	£ 4,080.00

Expenditure

Musical Director	£ 2,556.00	£ 2,806.00
Hall hire	£ 710.50	£ 713.60
Sundries	£ 294.51	£ 316.15
Workshops	£ -	£ 120.00
Total	£ 3,561.01	£ 3,955.75

Surplus for the 2025 - 26 year £ 413.99

Bank balance at 31 August 2025 £ 1,907.30
Bank balance at 31 August 2026 £ 2,321.29

Increase in bank balance £ 413.99

Chris Mapp
Treasurer
4th September 2026