

Treasurer's report for the year ending 31 December 2025

Below is a summary of NWEMF's accounts for the 2025 calendar year, together with figures for 2024 and 2023 for comparison. The accounts are prepared on a cash basis.

The year started with a balance of £10,562.47 in the general account, and £1,603.09 in the Joan Wess Educational Fund. The latter provides bursaries and grants to help younger members and full-time students attend workshops, courses and summer schools.

Income from membership subscriptions in 2025 increased slightly in comparison with 2024. It should be noted that some 2026 subscriptions were paid in 2025 (£360) which meant that expenditure exceeded income by £120.48 rather than £480.48.

The total cost of workshops shown in the accounts as £6,361 is slightly misleading - some venue hire deposits are paid well in advance so the figure for 2025 includes advance payments for 2026, whilst some of the 2025 costs were paid in 2024. The net loss on the 2025 workshops was £1,573, although the committee took the decision to make a slight increase in the charge for attending workshops from September 2025, reversing the reduction made in 2022.

Other expenditure included the annual subscription to Making Music (who provide insurance cover and other services), publicity (printing flyers, leaflets, pop-up banner), printing and postage costs for members who receive the Newsletter by post, and recurrent website costs (hosting and the platform). As noted above expenditure exceeded income by £120.48 and the closing balance in the general account fell by this amount to £10,441.99.

Expenditure from the Joan Wess Educational Fund was £59.98, comprising a top-up bursary of £50 to the recipient of the one given in 2024 and £9.98 in bank charges. The balance in this account at the end of the year was £1,543.11.

In light of the monthly charges now being incurred on each account, at its meeting in January 2026 the Committee took the decision to close the Joan Wess account and move the balance into the main account; this is being enacted at the time of writing this report.

Anna Wright
Treasurer
13 February 2026

NORTH WEST EARLY MUSIC FORUM
(Charity no. 508218)
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2025

INCOME

	2025	<i>2024</i>	<i>2023</i>
	£	£	£
Subscriptions 2025	1,677.50	<i>1,612.50</i>	<i>1,464.50</i>
Subscriptions 2026	360.00		
Workshop fees	4,706.00	<i>3,375.00</i>	<i>2,525.00</i>
Instrument hire	0.00	<i>45.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>
Donations	56.45	<i>10.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>
Miscellaneous	0.00	<i>0.00</i>	<i>200.00</i>
Music ¹	82.00		
	<hr/> 6,881.95	<hr/> <i>5,042.50</i>	<hr/> <i>4,189.50</i>

EXPENDITURE

Bank charges ²	9.98	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>
Committee expenses	0.00	<i>62.40</i>	<i>0.00</i>
Instrument repairs	0.00	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>
Miscellaneous	85.90	<i>0.00</i>	<i>200.00</i>
Publicity ³	202.74	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>
Printing & postage	26.40	<i>221.91</i>	<i>28.86</i>
Subscriptions & insurance	225.00	<i>221.00</i>	<i>213.00</i>
Website	91.20	<i>91.20</i>	<i>62.40</i>
Workshop fees & expenses	5,077.21	<i>4,351.18</i>	<i>3,578.39</i>
Workshop venue hire	1,284.00	<i>1,579.75</i>	<i>1,116.00</i>
	<hr/> 7,002.43	<hr/> <i>6,527.44</i>	<hr/> <i>5,198.65</i>
Surplus for the year	-120.48	<i>-1,484.94</i>	<i>-1,009.15</i>

ASSETS

Accumulated funds at year start	10,562.47	<i>12,047.41</i>	<i>13,056.56</i>
Surplus for the year	-120.48	<i>-1,484.94</i>	<i>-1,009.15</i>
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Accumulated funds at year end	10,441.99	<i>10,562.47</i>	<i>12,047.41</i>
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Notes

1. Payment by workshop participants for music copies.
2. £4.99 monthly bank charges commenced 1 October 2025. The charge is made monthly in arrears; the December payments listed here, and for the Wess Fund, were for two months (October and November).
3. Publicity has its own separate line item with effect from 1 January 2025; includes printing costs for flyers, bookmarks, etc.

JOAN WESS EDUCATIONAL FUND

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2025

INCOME

	2025	<i>2024</i>	<i>2023</i>
	£	£	£
Bank interest	0.00	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>
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	0.00	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>

EXPENDITURE

Bursaries	50.00	<i>250.00</i>	<i>200.00</i>
Bank charges ²	9.98		
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	59.98	<i>250.00</i>	<i>200.00</i>
Surplus for the year	-59.98	<i>-250.00</i>	<i>2000.00</i>

ASSETS

Accumulated funds at year start	1,603.09	<i>1,853.09</i>	<i>2,053.09</i>
Surplus for the year	-59.98	<i>-250.00</i>	<i>-200.00</i>
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Accumulated funds at year end	1,543.11	<i>1,603.09</i>	<i>1,853.09</i>

Anna Wright
Treasurer
30 January 2026