

WILD WILL THEATRE COMPANY

Wild Will Theatre Company Reserves Policy

A formal policy on reserves was agreed at the meeting held on 27/01/25 of the executive committee.

It states:

- The trustees have set a reserves policy which requires reserves be maintained at a level which ensures that the organisations' core activity could continue during a period of unforeseen difficulty.
- A proportion of reserves be maintained in a readily realisable form.
- The calculation of the required level of reserves is an integral part of the organization's planning, budget and forecast cycle.

It takes into account:

- Risks associated with each stream of income and expenditure being different from that budgeted
- Planned activity level
- Organisations commitments

I. Introduction

Income reserves are described by the Charity Commission as the resources the charity has or can make available to spend for any or all of the charity's purposes, once it has met its commitment and covered other planned expenditure.

There are two types of reserves:

Unrestricted reserves, which are held to offset risks, and

Restricted reserves, which are raised or held for specific future purposes

Part of the unrestricted reserves may be earmarked for a particular purpose (designated funds), but the designation has an administrative purpose only, and does not legally restrict the Committee's discretion to spend the fund.

Our charity exists to deliver its objects. This requires us

- - to train individuals for them to deliver educational content and

- - to stage theatre productions.

The commitment is mostly on an annual cycle whilst income is almost exclusively short-term and potentially volatile.

1. Current policy: as outlined above

Risk assessment: As stated above, the principal income stream of the Charity is almost exclusively short-term and generated from ticket sales and ancillary sales (e.g. bar/food) at productions. Funding will be sought but cannot be relied upon.

2. Current reserves level – We consider it prudent, given current economic conditions to hold unrestricted reserves of twelve months running costs. This figure equates to £30,000.

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