TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON FUNDING AWARDED AND CONSIDER ANY ACTIONS AND ASSOCIATED EXPENDITURE:

SALTASH MUSIC, SPEECH & DRAMA FESTIVAL 2025 FESTIVAL REPORT

Firstly, may I take this opportunity to thank the Town Council for their support towards the staging of the above Festival.

Our 2025 Festival was considered a big success in bringing together many hundreds of people to perform & support the local shops and hostelries. We had nearly 500 entries spanning 6 days which was an increase in numbers from 2024. The Festival was in three sections i.e. 73 hour sessions of Speech, 3x3 hour sessions of Vocal & 5x3 hour sessions of Instrumental all adjudicated by three very experienced Adjudicators provided by the British & International Federation of Festivals, culminating in the Gala Concert at the end.

Throughout the whole Festival reference was made to the Town Council supporting the event on the screen at Saltash Wesley and on the syllabus & programme, as can be seen on the attached sheets.

Very positive feedback has been received from both the Adjudicators and teachers/parents such as: "Thank you so much for another lovely Festival, parents were all saying how well run the Festival is and how convenient it is that the age groups perform everything on the same day" and "It was nice to catch up at the Festival, we all thoroughly enjoyed it & being part of it" just to mention a few.

Please also find attached finance sheets as at February this year together with a selection of invoices showing some of the major expenses that we have incurred. As you can see a very high percentage of our outgoings are on the Adjudicators fees which are set by the Federation of Festivals.

Finally, I hope that this is what is required by the Town Council & to once again thank you most sincerely for your continued support.

Phil Taylor
Chairman - Saltash Music, Speech & Drama Festival



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33rd Annual

Saltash Music, Speech & Drama Festival

SALTASH WESLEY METHODIST CHURCH

2025

27th JANUARY to 8th FEBRUARY

PROGRAMME £3.00p

Supported by Saltash Town Council

Church contact number during Festival: 01752 845177

THANKS

Saltash Wesley Methodist Church

Official Sponsors Saltash Town Council

Festival Officers & Committee

Official Accompanist: Mark Smith

All Other Accompanists

Friends of the Festival

Advertisers / Press for Publicity

Astralis Print & Design : Printing of Syllabus & Programmes

Helpers on the Door & Front of House

Adjudicator's Assistants : Mrs. Susan Winder

Mrs. Marilyn Oakes

Awards Administrator & Door Stewards Organiser:

Mrs. Carolyn Statton

Friends Adminstrators : Mrs. Carolyn Statton

Trophy Secretaries : Mr. Phil Taylor

Miss Rachel Statton

Performers, Parents & Teachers

Festival Draw Organisers : Mr. & Mrs. Colin Oakes

Audiences: During Festival & Tonight

Anyone else who has contributed to the success of the Festival

End of Report

Phil Taylor

Chairman - Saltash Music, Speech & Drama Festival