

LEIGH-ON-SEA LIONS CLUB CHARITY TRUST FUND
Registered Charity Number 1018796
FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR
01 JULY 2021 - 30 JUNE 2022



Signed:-

President 2021-2022:-

Tony Prior : _____

Secretary 2021-2022:-

George Harris : _____

Treasurer 2021-2022:-

Deborah Jones _____

Dated:- 15/ 05/2023

Legal and Administrative Details

Charity Number 1018796

Trustee

Club president 2021-22	Tony Prior	Elected Trustee	David Large
Club Secretary 2021-22	George Harris	Elected Trustee	Tim Watts
Club Treasurer 2021-22	Deborah Jones	Elected Trustee (Secretary)	George Harris
		Elected Trustee (Chair)	Rex Palmer

Principal addresses 2021-22

Registered Charity Address

17 The Parkway
Canvey Island
Essex
SS8 0AA

Club Secretary

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Canvey Island
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Bankers

National Westminster Bank PLC
54 High Street
Rayleigh
Essex
SS6 7EW

Report of the trustees

The Trustees present their report and the financial statement for the year ended 30 June 2022.

Trustees' Responsibilities

Law applicable in England and Wales requires Trustees to prepare each financial year a statement giving a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year.

In preparing these financial statements, The Trustees are required to:

- Select Suitable Accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and estimates that are responsible and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed subject to any departure disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the ongoing concern basis unless it is appropriate to assume that they charity will continue its activities.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Constitution and Objects

The Leigh-on-Sea Lions Charitable Trust fund is a registered charity no 101879. The trust fund is constituted by a deed dated 4th November 1992.

The objects of the Trust fund are to apply the funds held for any purpose which is charitable according to the laws of England and Wales, whether for the benefit of any individual or group or for the benefit of any other organisation established for charitable purposes. This includes donation to charitable organisations connected to Lions Clubs International.

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The trust fund is associated with the Lions Club of Leigh-on-Sea, which falls under the jurisdiction of District 105CE of Lions Clubs International. The Trust receives funds from the Club as well as from elsewhere. The Trustees 2021-22 are all members of the Lions Club of Leigh-on-Sea.

As regards day to day operations, it is the associated Lions Club members who vote to approve proposals for the distribution of charitable funds and a quorum of Club members must be present at any such vote. However, the Club constitution stipulates that at least 2 trustees must also be present for this to be valid. Furthermore, the Trustees may veto any proposal they feel inappropriate, regardless of the vote by the Club.

Risk Management

The Trustees have examined the major strategic and operational risks and confirm that systems are in place to minimise these risks. Regular financial reports are presented to the Trustees and Club, and a board comprising the Trustees and Club Directors meets at least quarterly to discuss Trust and Club matters, and at short notice should there be a specific concern.

The Trustees take advice from officers appointed to Lions District 105CE to ensure compliance with legislation concerning Health and Safety and the protection of Vulnerable Persons. The Trustees also keep their insurance policies under review and take advice from Lions' Insurance Advisors.

Financial Review

A year on from the COVID pandemic and its restrictions, the Trust's income recovered substantially reaching **£76,405.23** by year end, with bank interest of £9.86 received on the main reserve account. Although a welcome improvement of over £11,000 on last year, this remains below levels seen in previous years. This is due to our charity shop having reduced opening hours to ensure a sustainable service, but also to fewer fund-raising events taking place. This latter seems in part to have been caused by residual hesitancy post-COVID to organise or otherwise participate in public events, and the additional red tape involved in putting on major events. Despite this, the Trustees are pleased with the amount generated – and the sums donated.

Awards & donations totalled **£77,207.90**, an increase of over £26,000 on the previous year. Details of these donations are set out in the notes to the accounts, but of note are the support given to local foodbanks (providing fresh produce) and to the Lions Clubs International Foundation's Refugee & Displaced Persons Fund in aid of Ukraine.

However, the Trustees are most proud of the service given to the community by Leigh-on-Sea Lions Club members and partner volunteers, **with 4,012 service hours supporting 27,661 people.**

Reserves Policy


The majority of charitable funds are held in an interest-bearing reserve account to ensure the Trustees can meet their responsibilities for contracted supplies and/or refund monies to participants if an event were to be cancelled or malpractice to be uncovered. Note, however, that all Lions Clubs have appropriate levels of insurance covering public, medical and employers liabilities.

The Trustees do not consider any other reserves necessary as applications for donations are always considered in light of the funds available. To facilitate the rapid deposit and distribution of funds, a general Charity account is retained with a balance typically kept at around £12,000.

Where a donation has been agreed by the Trustees, this is shown as a commitment on the finance reports issued to Trustees and Club members before each business meeting (two per month).

Approved by the Trustees on 15th May 2023.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees.

George Harris : 
Secretary to the Trustees

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEIGH-ON-SEA
LIONS CLUB

I report on the financial statements of the Lions Club of Leigh-on-Sea Charity Trust Fund for the year ended 30 June 2022 which are set out on pages 5 to 7.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. In accordance with section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (hereafter the 2011 Act), the Trustees deemed an independent examination to be sufficient.

The Trustees have a legal duty under the Act to appoint 'an independent person who is reasonably believed by the Trustees to have the requisite ability and practical experience to carry out a competent examination of the accounts' and, accordingly, have requested my review.

My relevant experience is that I have a degree in accounting and finance and work as a licenced insolvency practitioner and as such regularly review the veracity of both formally prepared and management accounts to ensure a fair result to stakeholders in insolvency procedures. I hold position as treasurer for the Southend Scout and Guide Gang Show.

As reviewer, it is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 Act; and
- State whether any particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charities Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Club/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 seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention,

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respects the requirements
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - b. to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Ian Goodhew :  Dated : 15/5/ 2023

Charitable Trust Accounts

Receipts and Payments

Period 1st July 2021 to 30th June 2022

Incoming Resources

Notes

Fund Raising - Leigh on Sea

eBay Credits	£3,009.18
Fund Raising	£2,407.65
Shop Takings	£49,223.24
Shop Castle Point gross	£6,455.89
Shop Eastwood gross	£7,584.17
Castle Point and Eastwood Shop Cost Donation	£1,190.00
Misc. Donations In	£6,014.46
Duck Race	£126.00
Bank interest	£9.86
<u>Income Sub-Total</u>	<u>£76,020.45</u>
C/f PayPal account balance	384.78
<u>Total Balance</u>	<u>£76,405.23</u>

Donations

Donations general	£63,473.84	1
Donations to Castle Point re Shop Takings (gross)	£6,148.89	
Donations to Eastwood re Shop Takings (gross)	£7,585.17	

Expenses

Shop Costs (inc. £25 per operating day deducted from Castle Point & Eastwood's takings)	£6,604.30	
Event costs and misc. expenses	£1,405.53	
<u>Total</u>	<u>£85,217.73</u>	<u>-£85,217.73</u>
Net Movement in Funds		<u>-£8,812.50</u>
Fund Balances Brought Forward inc PayPal balance		<u>£55,961.39</u>
Fund Balances Carried Forward		<u>£47,148.89</u>

Notes

1. Donations Leigh on Sea

Active8	£	2,000.00
Active Christian Trust (aka Rayleigh Megacentre)	£	500.00
BBC Children in Need	£	500.00
BEAT eating disorders	£	100.00
Billericay Lions Club	£	100.00

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Cats Protection Southend & District	£ 100.00
Charlie Boys Angels	£ 1,000.00
Children of Deaf Adults/Families of Deaf Children	£ 492.00
DEC - Ukraine aid	£ 1,500.00
DG Partner's Appeal - Young Carers	£ 600.00
East of England Ambulance Leigh Road defibrillator	£ 474.16
Endeavour Trust	£ 300.00
Endometriosis UK	£ 500.00
Essex & Herts Air Ambulance	£ 500.00
Foodbank Fresh Food (Southend Foodbank Covid support)	£ 7,819.98
HARP	£ 2,630.00
Havens Hospices	£ 100.00
Just Helping Children	£ 100.00
Kids Cancer Charity	£ 1,100.00
Lions Clubs International Foundation L.C.I.F.	
L.C.I.F. Dis. Relief - European Floods	£ 1,000.00
L.C.I.F. Dis. Relief - Haiti earthquake	£ 1,000.00
L.C.I.F. Dis. Relief - USA Tornadoes	£ 500.00
L.C.I.F. Refugee & Displaced Persons Fund (Ukraine)	£ 6,618.45
Leigh Town Council - sponsorship Xmas Event Library Gardens	£ 250.00
Lions Brain Tumour Research (via 105CE charity account)	£ 2,630.00
Lions District 105CE Youth Fund	£ 10.00
Lions MD105 A ball for all (sight/vision)	£ 220.00
Lions MD105 Peace Poster	£ 57.19
Lions MD105 Youth Projects	£ 200.00
Little Musketeers Holiday Activities (4x4x4)	£ 1,520.00
Macmillan Cancer Support	£ 928.38
Marie Curie	£ 50.00
Mid & S. Essex Hospitals Trust (Southend Hosp)	£ 1,100.00
Motor Neurone Disease Association	£ 100.00
Music Man Project	£ 500.00
One Love Project	£ 1,420.00
Open Arts - Essex Partnership NHS	£ 3,050.00
PHAB Life	£ 150.00
Prost8 UK	£ 500.00
RBL Poppy Appeal	£ 518.50
St Vincent de Paul Southend Short Street (Kenny's Walk)	£ 3,500.00
SAVS re Turning Tides Holiday Activities	£ 1,623.00
Southend BC re Blenheim Roundabout sponsorship	£ 1,500.00
SBC Young Carers scheme	£ 185.10
Southend West District Scout Council	£ 1,000.00
Starlight Children's Foundation	£ 600.00
Storehouse	£ 2,333.08

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Trust Links	£ 4,450.00
Wild Tribe Heroes	£ 44.00
YMCA Southend	£ 500.00
Young Carers (in Southend Carers Charity not SBC scheme)	£ 5,000.00
	<u>£ 63,473.84</u>

Balance Sheet

Period 1st July 2021 to 30th June 2022

Current Assets

Cash at Bank and in hand

Leigh-on-Sea £47,148.89

Net Current Assets


£47,148.89

Funds

General Fund

£47,148.89

Approved by the trustees on the 15th May 2023 and signed on their behalf by

Rex Palmer : 
Chairman of Trustees

Deborah Jones : 
Treasurer