

**ROTARY CLUB OF WELLINGTON (SHROPSHIRE)
BENEVOLENT FUND**

**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

Registered Charity no. 1111143

Rotary Club of Wellington (Shropshire)
Benevolent Fund
Trustees' Report for the year ended 30 June 2024

Trustees

The names of the trustees who have served up to 30 June 2024 are as follows:

D Scollard-Kerr (from 1 July 2021)

G Foulkes (from 1 July 2023)

A Ramsay (from 1 July 2022)

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is governed by a trust deed dated 5 June 2005 and is administered by the Rotary Club of Wellington (Shropshire) ('the Club'). The trustees are the officers of the Club who meet with the Club Council on a monthly basis. Proposals for fund-raising and donations are discussed with the Council and are laid before the members of the Club at its business meetings.

Objectives and Activities

The objects of the charity are 'the relief of the poor and needy or such other charitable purposes as the Club shall in duly constituted meetings from time to time direct'. The charity's focus is to raise funds through donations from club members and fund-raising events, and to donate these funds to worthy causes. Regular fund-raising activities have included a charity film evening, a charity concert and various appeals.

The club also administers a fund ('Fairbourne') arising from the sale of a bungalow, previously used by the charity to provide holiday accommodation for those who might not otherwise benefit from a holiday. The income from this fund is used to provide similar benefits.

Achievements

Charitable donations for the year totalled £31659 (2023-£39015). A summary of these donations is contained in the accounts.

Reserves

The policy of the charity is that expenditure in the year should be approximately equal to funds raised in the year and that, except for 'Fairbourne' – see above – and some occasional specific projects, there is no necessity to hold reserves. There are no ongoing obligations of the charity.

Signed by D Scollard-Kerr (Treasurer – on behalf of the Trustees) on

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**Independent Examiner's report on the Accounts for the year ended 30 June
2024 set out on pages 4 to 6.**

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not necessary for the year, under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act') and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Act), to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act) and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the 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 the trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all of 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

During my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

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

N Phillips

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Date

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Accounts for the year ended 30 June 2024

Income and Expenditure Account

Income	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Designated	Year 2023
General donations	11504	4851	6653	0	13172
Fund raising	6955	5067	1888	0	10606
Amazon commission	0	0	0	0	68
Profit on investment sales	1534	0	0	1534	1428
Income tax reclaimable	2856	2079	777	0	3208
Grant – D1210	1000	1000	0	0	1750
River Tours – holiday bonus	820	820	0	0	0
Cock Hotel quiz profit	338	338	0	0	0
Xmas card profit	16	16	0	0	12
	25023	14171	9318	1534	30244
Expenditure					
Fund raising costs	2052	1768	284	0	2832
Miscellaneous Trans to Gen Acct	20	20	0	0	80
Charitable donations	31659	14454	8674	8531	39015
	33731	16242	8958	8531	41927
Net (expenditure)/income	(8708)	(2071)	360	(6997)	(11683)
Reserves brought forward	62985	4002	1735	57248	74668
Reserves carried forward	54277	1931	2095	50251	62985

Balance Sheet

Assets					Year 2023
Investments	38883	0	0	38883	47349
Cash at bank – Barclays	14848	2276	1204	11368	14236
Debtors	0	0	0	0	0
- Gift Aid	1296	405	891	0	1400
Creditors	0	0	0	0	0
- Friends of Wellington Sta	(500)	(500)	0	0	0
- Ukraine Constitution Day	(250)	(250)	0	0	0
	54277	1931	2095	50251	62985

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Notes forming part of the Accounts for the year ended 30 June 2024

1. Fund raising activities.

	Income	Expenses	Net
Foundation raffle (incl. wine)	1473	284	1189
Piaf Event	2292	1336	956
Xmas raffle	415	0	415
Film night	2675	432	2243
Venning Masonic Lodge – Music Event	100	0	100
	6955	2052	4903

2. Charitable donations.

Local and national beneficiaries

General Fund

Telford Crises Support	7325
Lingen Davies cancer fund	500
Harry Johnson trust	500
MyName'5Doddie foundation	250
The Orbit Wellington	240
Telford Gateway Club	370
Dictionaries4Life	730
Wellington Theatre Company	2000
Kids Out	100
Parkinsons UK	101
Telford Tree of Light	150
YMCA	2000
Poppy Appeal	30
Wenlock Olympian	100
Bursary	600
Wellington Ukraine School Project	250
Albrighton Table Tennis Club	400
Youth Camp RYLA	300
Cancer Pink Event	50
Cavalier Centre	750
Local Student Africa Trip Support	200
Telford Parkinsons Support Group	250
Wellington Citizens Advice	338
Friends of Wellinton Station	500
Ukraine Constitution Day (local)	250
	18284

International beneficiaries**General Fund**

Medic Malawi	100
Rotary Foundation Polio raffle/bucket	3888
Shelter Box	205
Lend With Care	500
Earthquake appeal	150
	4843

Local and national beneficiaries**Fairbourne Fund**

PODS	1300
YMCA Wellington	245
Age UK Donnington	250
Telford & Wrekin CVS	500
Home Start	970
Lingen Davies Cancer Fund	842
STAY	700
Visually Impaired Heulwen Boat Trip	71
Bursary	600
Telford Crisis Support	2000
Telford & Wrekin Council - SIS	303
Shropshire Youth Association	750
	8531

3. Designated Fund ('Fairbourne') - Investments

	Cost	2023
Margetts International Strategy Fund	3961	4823
Margetts Select Strategy Fund	34922	42526
	38883	47349

The value of the units at 30th June 2024 was £53,175

4. Telford Tree of Light

As part of the club's annual fundraising, it joins forces with the three other Rotary clubs in the Telford area (the Rotary Clubs of Ironbridge, The Wrekin and Telford Centre) to organise a Tree of Light in the Telford Centre. This is done through The Rotary Clubs of Telford and District Trust Fund, a separate registered charity (no. 1109036). During the year ended 30 June 2024 charitable donations of £40,000 were made by this charity – this amount is not included in these accounts.