

WETHERBY DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

England & Wales · Charity number 1166656

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2016-04-21
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: 1.1 THE OBJECTS OF THE CLUB ARE SUCH PURPOSES AS ARE EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE IN ENGLAND & WALES, INCLUDING IN PARTICULAR:1.1.1 THE ADVANCEMENT OF CITIZENSHIP BY:1.1.1.1 PROMOTING THE PRINCIPLES OF GOOD CITIZENSHIP;1.1.1.2 ENCOURAGING MEMBERS TO TAKE AN ACTIVE INTEREST IN THE CIVIC, CULTURAL, SOCIAL AND MORAL WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY;1.1.1.3 PROVIDING A FORUM FOR THE OPEN DISCUSSION OF ALL MATTERS OF PUBLIC INTEREST; PROVIDED THAT PARTISAN POLITICS AND SECTARIAN RELIGION SHALL NOT BE DEBATED BY MEMBERS;1.1.1.4 ENCOURAGING SERVICE-MINDED PEOPLE TO SERVE THEIR COMMUNITY WITHOUT PERSONAL REWARD AND ENCOURAGING THE PROMOTION OF HIGH ETHICAL STANDARDS IN COMMERCE, INDUSTRY, PROFESSIONS, PUBLIC WORKS AND PRIVATE ENDEAVOURS; 1.1.1.5 SUPPORTING YOUTH TO DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS, CAPACITIES AND CAPABILITIES TO ENABLE THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN SOCIETY AS MATURE AND RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS;1.1.2 PROMOTING THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY ASSOCIATING WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN A COMMON EFFORT TO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND PROVIDE FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION TO IMPROVE THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE OF PEOPLE IN LOCAL, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITIES;1.1.3 PROMOTING VOLUNTEERING;1.1.4 THE RELIEF OF POVERTY AND THE RELIEF OF THOSE IN NEED IN PARTICULAR BY PROVIDING HUMANITARIAN AID AND DISASTER RELIEF;1.1.5 THE ADVANCEMENT OF HEALTH OR THE SAVING OF LIVES BY PREVENTING AVOIDABLE BLINDNESS, ASSISTING DISABLED PEOPLE TO LEAD INDEPENDENT LIVES OR HELPING TO PREVENT OR MANAGE HEALTH ISSUES;1.1.6 PROMOTING FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC THE CONSERVATION PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PHYSICAL AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT; AND/OR1.1.7 PROMOTING COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN HEALTHY RECREATION.

Activities: To raise and disburse charity and welfare grants/funds according to the Constitution of Lions Clubs International and the rules of the Charity Commissioners. To be involved in community activities and projects. To be active locally, nationally and internationally in respect of the aforementioned activities.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Leeds City
- North Yorkshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-06-30	£24,458	£25,915	-	-
2024-06-30	£31,595	£27,802	-	-
2023-06-30	£24,956	£22,974	-	-
2022-06-30	£14,479	£16,681	-	-
2021-06-30	£17,276	£11,063	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Ruth Holt	Chair	2023-07-10
ALAN CREIGHTON		2017-04-01
Andre Sacre		2025-03-17
JOHN RAYMOND WARDLEY		2015-01-01
Kenneth Mackenzie		2020-01-09
Martin Doxey		2016-10-29
Patricia Wadsworth		2023-07-01

Accounts



WETHERBY DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)



TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
1ST JULY 2024 TO 30TH JUNE 2025



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WETHERBY DISTRICT LIONS CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION (CIO)

Trustees Annual Report for the Period 1st July 2024 to 30th June 2025

The trustees are pleased to present their annual report together with the consolidated financial statements for the twelve (12) months period ending 30th June 2025. The trustees confirm that the documents of this charity, 'Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO)', demonstrates that the Club has operated as a 'Charitable Incorporated Organisation' in accordance with the current statutory requirements, that of the charity's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016.

INTRODUCTION - Chair of Trustees

This was another successful year for Wetherby District Lions Club CIO. We ran a full programme of events and provided financial and practical help to a wide range of beneficiaries including individuals in need and charitable support organisations in our area.

In conjunction with 'Wetherby Riverside Bandstand Trust' we ran 'Wetherby Drovers Brass Band Marching Contest' which raised funds and provided a great musical event for the people of Wetherby.

We worked with local schools, scouts, Royal Air Force Air Cadets, Mason House, Wetherby Arts Festival, Wetherby Riverside Bandstand Trust, Wetherby Runners, Tockwith Show, Morrisons and Wetherby Town Council.

Our 'Santa's Sleigh' and 'Dickensian Christmas Market' events raised significant funds which more than covered the costs of the 'Lions Midwinter Lunch' event; a meal and show which served 160 elderly and isolated people from our area.

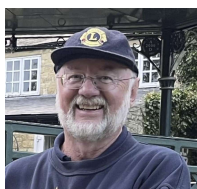
It was a particular pleasure to see some of the newer members of our club getting 'stuck in' to the hard work involved in staging events, providing fresh ideas and taking on leadership roles.

As President I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have helped us raise money and deliver charitable services this year and I look forward to a similarly successful year coming up.



Martin Doxey, Chair of Trustees

Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO)



MISSION – Vision and Values

Wetherby District Lions Club is inspired by and bases itself on its Mission, Vision, and Values to set up the guiding principles of how it operates. We understand that our performance and behaviour are guided as much by the spirit of the mission, vision and values as by the definition of them.



To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.



To be the global leader in community and humanitarian service.



We exist to raise and disburse charity funds according to the constitution of Lions Clubs International and the rules of the charity commissioners and we aim to be involved in local, nationally and internationally community activities and projects.



To be committed, credible, compassionate and caring.

Lions became an international organisation after being founded in 1917 in Chicago. Since then, we've earned high marks for both integrity and transparency. We're a well-run organisation with a steady vision, a clear mission as stated above, together with a long – and proud – **history**.

VALUES – Our Core

Commitment to **SERVICE**

We are responsive to the needs of Lions. We seek to understand their priorities, values and needs, and to empower their service. We are committed to our shared goal of community and humanitarian service.

Dedication to **EXCELLENCE**

We are passionate about the causes Lions serve and the quality of our work. We go beyond what is expected, striving for excellence and continuous improvement in all we do.

Appreciation for **DIVERSITY**

We create and foster a spirit of understanding among the people of the world, knowing that diversity is our strength. We appreciate individual and cultural differences, and we embrace the experiences and talents of others because together we are more.

Dynamic **COLLABORATION**

We work as a team to improve the quality and relevance of our programs and initiatives. We welcome and encourage the participation of Lions, partners and colleagues, solving problems and meeting challenges together

Personal and Professional **INTEGRITY**

We promote and live by the principles of good citizenship. We are dependable, honest and trustworthy professionals who are accountable for our actions and their results.

Spirit of **INNOVATION**

We evolve to meet the changing needs of those we serve, embracing an environment of growth and creativity. We rigorously test and optimize ideas, and encourage the adoption of best practices globally.

OUR STRATEGY - Priorities

Partnerships

To achieve our vision and mission, we know we must identify and work with partners who add value to the delivery of our services. Therefore we will work with other organisations in our community to deliver charitable services to all parts and assemblies in the Wetherby and district area.

Sustainability

To continue delivering on our objectives, it's important for the charity to remain fit for the future and responsive to change. Therefore we will:

- look to develop a membership recruitment programme so that we can maintain the charitable work of the Club;
- look to recruit new internal and external trustees based upon insight gathered from a robust skills audit and gap analysis.

Communication

We will raise our profile using a range of communication channels. This will include growing our audiences to ensure more people know about our work and services by:

- increasing our social media followers on all platforms;
- continuing to develop our website as an information hub for our supporters and volunteers and to witness more page views to the website;
- working with non-digital media to further raise the profile of our work, we will display posters and banners and distribute leaflets in the community advertising our forthcoming events.

Development

We will develop our charity by carefully considering the needs of the people we serve in the community. We will support our membership and volunteers to develop their potential through improved learning and development opportunities and a review of trustee skills.

Conclusion

Our strategy aims to build a sustainable, impactful charity that makes a significant difference in the lives of people in the communities we serve. By achieving our vision, mission, and values, and by strategically engaging with partners, managing our resources and communicating effectively, we will foster a community that fully supports its people to live long, enjoyable and fulfilling lives for both the young and elderly.

STRUCTURE - Governance and Management

Charity's objects

- To raise and disburse charity and welfare funds according to the constitution of Lions Clubs International and the rules of the charity commissioners;
- To be involved in community activities and projects;
- To be active locally, nationally and internationally in respect of the aforementioned activities.

Type of governance document

Charitable Constitution.

Constitution of Charity

Charitable Incorporated Organisation - Association Model

Trustee selection methods

Elected by members of Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO).

Additional governance issues

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other benefit; they are responsible for the strategic development of the charity.

Training of trustees

Trustees' personal needs are evaluated and appropriate training given. Advantage is taken of complimentary governance seminars offered by local corporate organisations. The charity is also a member of the not-for-profit organisation 'Volunteer Action Leeds'. This organisation offers a wide range of expertise and practical support for charitable organisations at minimal cost.

Charity's organisational structure

Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO) was registered with the Charity Commission on 21st April 2016 using their 'Association' model. The charity's members are members of Wetherby District Lions Club, which is part of the Lions Clubs International (LCI) organisation and operates according to a typical constitution of a Lions Club adapted to the local needs of the Club. A trustee appointment shall be made for a term of three years or in the event of a vacancy in the office of a nominated trustee prior to the expiration of his term of office, for such period as the trustee whose place s/he has filled would have continued in office. When new trustees are appointed they are given information about the role of a trustees and charity law in a 'Trustee Induction Pack'. Local training courses are arranged for incoming and existing trustees.

Wider networks

Being a member of LCI, Wetherby District Lions Club operates through their national and international organisation. In any case of international disaster relief and long-term recovery, this is managed

through the Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) which allocates grants and donations to Lions Clubs in the disaster zone, thus ensuring good governance and an auditable trail of funds.

Major risks and the system and procedures to manage them

LCI has a national structure in the UK and an international structure worldwide, headquartered in the USA; they provide advice, training and assistance in all aspects of fundraising and charitable activities. Nationally the organisation has office staff based in Birmingham to manage and support UK based members in their charitable pursuits.

ACHIEVEMENTS - and Performance

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The trustees shall hold the charitable fund and its income and apply them for any purpose which is charitable according to the law of England and Wales whether for the benefit of any individual or group of people or for the benefit of any other organisation established for charitable purposes, ('The Objects'), PROVIDED ALWAYS that the trustees shall not apply the charitable fund or any part thereof without first obtaining the approval, as defined in the Lions Club constitution, of the Lions Club at a Lions Club meeting. This is defined as a majority vote in favour, provided there is a quorum of members (50% of the Club's members).

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit

In accordance with the Charities Act 2011, Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO) is required to confirm that the activities it undertakes to achieve its objectives are all carried out for the public benefit as described by the Charity Commission. The trustees confirm they have complied with the duty in Section 17 of the Act, having due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

In planning our activities, the trustees consider the specific objectives of the charity, along with our vision, mission and values. We review our aims, objectives and activities annually. As part of that process, we consider the outputs of our activities, assess the benefit of those outputs on the lives of people in the community and develop future activities to make sure our work continues to deliver the most benefit against our charitable objects. This report contains more information on the way our work has benefited people over the last 12 months, measured against objectives set at the beginning of the year.

In shaping these objectives trustees have attended as many community events as resources allowed including school fairs where our tradition Yorkshire 'Flat Cap Throwing' competition was staged.

We worked closely with 'Wetherby Bandstand Trust' to create the third year of the 'Drovers' Day' event which saw 18 brass bands march through Wetherby town and enhanced by an Artisan Market around Wetherby Market Place and a Craft Fayre in Wetherby Town Hall.

The Club presented the annual Santa's sleigh rides in Wetherby and the neighbouring village of Kirk Deighton, bringing a great deal of good cheer to everyone and providing much needed income which was enhanced by further donations from the public.

Sadly our annual 'Dickensian Christmas Market & Craft Fayre' was impacted by Storm Darragh and the outside Artisan Market had to be cancelled. However, Santa and his Grotto were moved inside the Town Hall to be part of the 'Craft Fayre' which was not affected by the storm, although the attendance was less than in previous years.

Additionally the following activities were held:

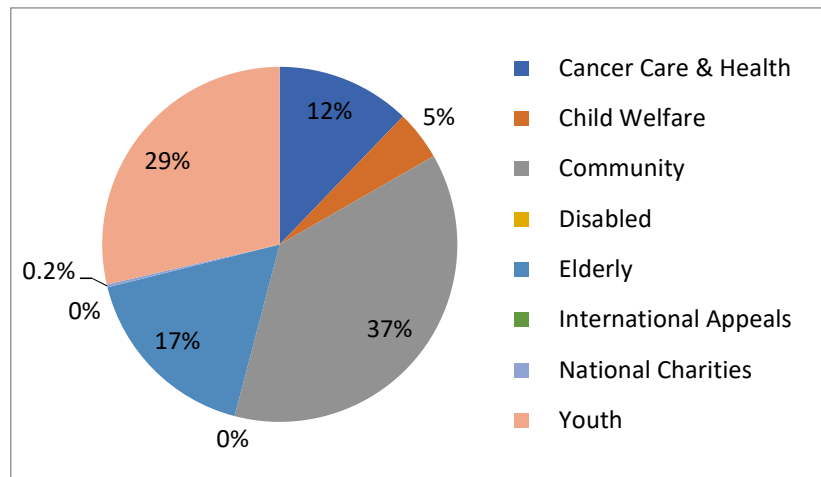
- supporting several community based activities including flower watering to assist the local ‘Wetherby in Bloom’ scheme;
- presenting our ‘Cuddly Lion’ tombola at local fetes;
- hosting a ‘Thank you Biz Quiz Nite’ in partnership with Morrisons Supermarket for the local business community to support other charitable organisations;
- presenting a ‘Fashion Show’ with an accompanying meal at a local prestigious venue;
- organising a ‘Senior Citizens’ Party’ and entertainment show for the benefit of 200 elderly people identified by local carers and groups;
- operating a ‘free of charge’ community wheelchair loan scheme.

Charitable funds that Club members have raised are disbursed to charities, groups and individual beneficiaries in the local, national and international community in accordance with the 'Grant Making Policy'. After due consideration by the Club's Grants & Community Service Committee, and agreed by a majority vote by Club members, they have donated grants to the following categories:

Cancer Care & Health;
Child Welfare;
Community;
Disabled;
Elderly;
International Appeals;
National Charities;
Youth.

Specifically grant donations were awarded to a number of health related charities:

Air Ambulance, The Jordon Legacy suicide reduction charity, and MedicAlert support.



The Club has continued to target grants to the local community, donating to service organisations and active community groups (Wetherby Arts Festival, Wetherby Bandstand Trust, St James Church - 'Man with a Pan' initiative) and local youth groups (Drum kits for Air Training Corps, youth football referee training courses and brass instrument for a Youth Brass Brigade). A specific project was to support Wetherby BMX Sports Group with the refurbishment of a local BMX track. Additionally, support continued to be given to local families suffering 'cost of living hardships' with the supply of domestic appliances and grocery Gift Cards.

Also supported are Lions linked projects as: regional holiday schemes and elderly peoples' festive meals and outings and staging the local 'Townsperson of the Year' award. Members gave service time and a grant to 'Wetherby in Bloom' flower watering initiative and to local youth enterprise schemes.

A number of national/international charities were assisted such as Royal British Legion; Heart Research UK, and Lions International Foundation (LIF).

The ongoing war in Ukraine has created a significant humanitarian crises and the Club has supported this through both the LIF international appeals protocol and locally supporting a vehicle taking wheelchairs and aid supplies to hospitals.

Section D – Achievements and performance

The last twelve months has seen a continued increase in the monies raised from the Club's annual events following the earlier impact of COVID-19 related issues. The cancellation of the 'Great Yorkshire Bike Ride' again this year and the associated loss of the income, has impacted significantly on the funding for many local and international charities as well as loss of support to the charity work of other Lions Clubs in the Yorkshire Region.

The charity continued to use 'online giving' as part of the portfolio with mainly the use of 'JustGiving' online facilities; realising £220.00. This scheme, together with direct application to HMRC for fundraising activities, has enabled Gift Aid to be claimed which has increased fundraising efforts by £1,647.02. Other donation online giving sites as 'Givey', 'PayPal' and 'GoodHub' are all available to supporters.

Additionally, the publicity and encouragement of our members and supporters to use our online shopping donation scheme, 'Easyfundraising', have also increased funds.

The Club continued to develop the website and social networking sites to publicise fundraising and charitable giving efforts. Commercial companies of Morrisons Supermarket, Manning Stainton Estate Agents and Franks Accountants have all provided support from their staff. Indeed, they have been a welcome resource attending at our community events.

Performance Review

During the year several detailed reviews of the charity's performance were undertaken to ensure the quality of delivery. Trustees used the 'Charity Governance Code' and the Charities Commission's 'Internal Financial Controls' documentation as a basis to undertake regular reviews.



Lions Message in a Bottle

The *long-life*
bottle, found
in the fridge



Lions Clubs
International

MD105 British Isles

What is Lions Message in a Bottle?

A simple idea that encourages people to keep their personal and medical details in a common place where these can easily be found in an emergency.

You will know there is a bottle in the fridge by the two labels, one is fixed on the inside of the front door or the main entrance and the other is on the door of their fridge.

Remember - Always Check the fridge!

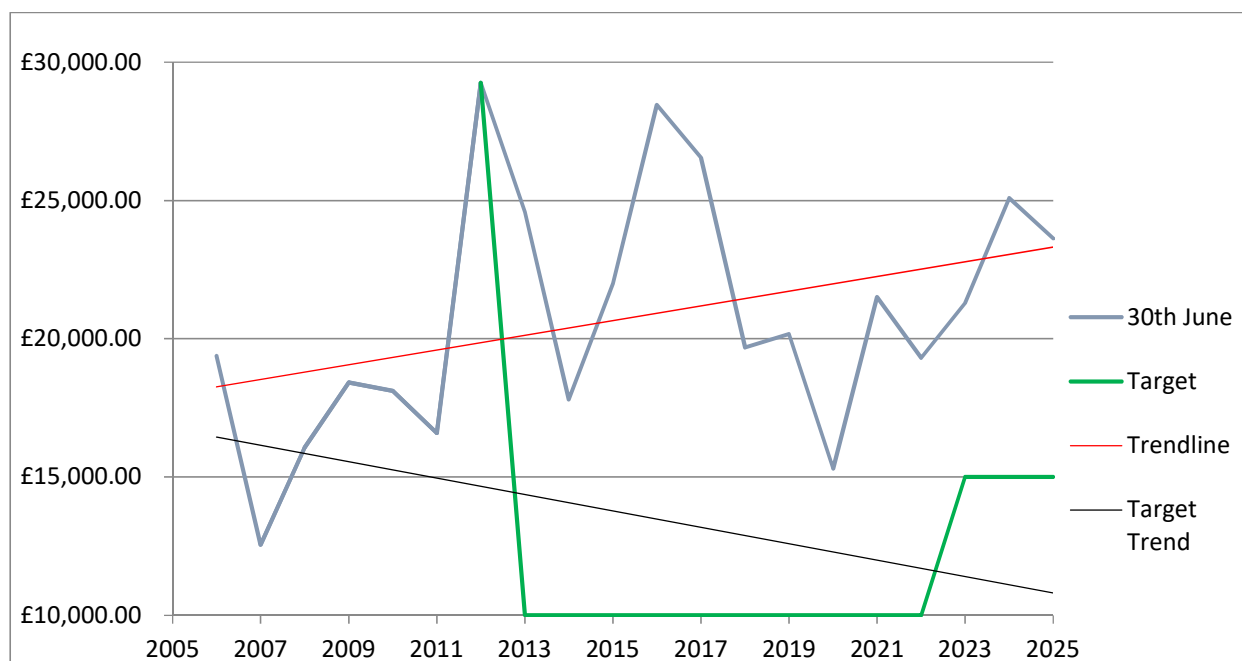
FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity's policy on reserves

The Club's policy on reserves is not to hold a specific reserve fund but to husband its resources so that the Club is able to respond to requests for assistance as appropriate. Should a request of significance be received, which cannot be met from immediate Club funds, members will apply for emergency funds from LCIF; Structure - Governance and Management – Wider Networks refers. There are no significant legal or infrastructure obligations in the event that the charity needed to close.

Trustees have been conscious of the significant year-end balances in the former charity trust over the past years and have again worked hard to reduce this level during the year; see chart below.

WDLC (CIO) Year End Balance



Trustees set an objective in 2013 of holding a £10,000 year-end balance, this has not been achieved over the years and, due to the current economic climate and cost pressures, the target was revised to £15,000 in 2023.

Recognising the above position, trustees have endeavoured to maximise the situation without adopting a high risk investment strategy and have continued with a savings account with Hampshire Trust Bank. Whilst the income from this account is currently small with interest rates at circa 3.87% per annum, it does realise a small income from the £1,800.11 currently deposited in the account.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. Strategic risk management is regularly overseen by the board of trustees. There is an overarching risk management policy which involves a regular review of key risks faced by the charity. It also sets up systems and procedures to address those potential risks and to minimise any impact on the charity if the risks materialise.

The trustees have considered the risks affecting the charity and its activities as part of its planning process and have concluded that there is little to no exposure to direct financial risk as there are few specific liabilities to managing the Club, particularly on the closure of the charity. They have recognised however the economic downturn on charitable giving which has continued in the period resulting in a lower funds being available to the Club; charitable grant giving has reduced accordingly and is expected to continue at this level in the short term.

The importance of safeguarding vulnerable older people and children in all areas of our work is at the forefront of our considerations. The charity has a safeguarding policy which applies to all Lion members and volunteers who have contact with any potentially vulnerable person or child. All trustees and members of the Club have current Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) documentation.

We recognise the risks associated with information security and the importance of protecting our IT systems from malicious attack and unauthorised access and misuse. Security measures are in place to protect from unauthorised access to IT systems. We have a Data Protection policy in place which ensures only authorised access and continues to enhance the security of the data in line with best practice.

Trustees are constantly reviewing the skills of trustees and regularly seek additional trustees from the organisation's members and community representatives and will continue to do so in the coming year. All trustees continue to attend training courses as appropriate.

Fundraising

All our fundraising activities deliver on our fundraising promise. We proactively comply with all fundraising related legislation and marketing regulation. All of our fundraising activity has been led by Club members and volunteers. As part of our approach, policies and standards, we make sure we protect vulnerable people and other members of the public from inappropriate behaviour. We proactively train everyone involved in fundraising, with clear processes in place to monitor and manage every interaction. In the past year, we have not uncovered any failure by Club members or volunteers to comply with these schemes and standards and we received no fundraising complaints in the year.

THE YEAR AHEAD – Our Strategy

The charity will continue to support the people of Wetherby and the surrounding area by helping individuals and organisations in time of need as the Club has done for the last 59 years.

Through the implementation of our strategic framework, we will be challenging ourselves to further develop our services to be first-class, so that the health and wellbeing of those we support is truly enhanced.

Specifically trustees will:

- consider the impact of the ‘cost of living hardship’ issues on the operation of the charity in respect of the fundraising activities and membership retention and recruitment;
- review, before the end of the 2026 fiscal year, the events that have been staged in the period and determine if these events should be repeated in the next financial year;
- continue to focus fundraising efforts within the local area and additionally to focus on conurbations outside of Wetherby; namely the town of Tadcaster and the villages of Boston Spa, Bardsey, Clifford and Scarcroft;
- continue to manage events with a multi-disciplinary community team;
- strive to increase membership by an organised professional approach showing due diligence and transparency throughout the process; particularly addressing membership diversity including LGBTQIA+ and non-binary/pansexual/2S inclusion;
- develop further the use of our website and social media to educate, inform and publicise the charity and its activities and ensure that all opportunities for the publicity and promotion of our services are maximised;
- continue our assessment of our charity against the ‘Charity Governance Code for Small Charities’, ensuring the high standards of governance which forms part of the principles and recommended practices are met;
- work towards diversity of the board of trustees and recruit new trustees with relevant skills and qualities. We will also develop the skills of our current trustees by offering the appropriate training courses.

In conclusion, our strategy aims to build a sustainable, impactful charity that makes a significant difference in the lives of the people in the communities we serve. By achieving our vision, mission, and values, and by strategically engaging with partners, managing our resources and communicating effectively, we will foster a community that fully supports its people.

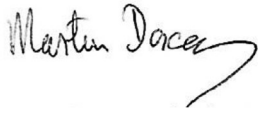


TRUSTEE DECLARATION

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Annual Report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Martin Doxey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail that extends to the right.

Full name: Martin Doxey

Position: Chairman of Trustees

Date: 01/09/25



INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT



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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Wetherby District Lions Club Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation ('the Trust')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Trust (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Trust are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Adam Franks', with a horizontal line underneath.

Mr Adam Franks FCCA
Franks Accountants Limited
Date: 05 August 2025

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

During the period covered by the accounts, Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO) continues to operate both strongly and efficiently from the financial perspective which is reflected in the 2024-2025 Financial Statements.

Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Analysis of Receipts and Payments

For Year ended 30 June 2025

	Unrestricted Funds June 2025 £	Restricted Funds June 2025 £	Total Funds June 2025 £	Last Year June 2024 £
Revenue Receipts				
Grants received for acquisition of fixed assets	0	0	0	0
Receipts from fundraising activities	24,150	0	24,150	24,725
Income from investments other than land & buildings	308	0	308	408
Rents from land & buildings	0	0	0	0
Gross receipts from other charitable activities		0	0	
Total Revenue Receipts	24,458	0	24,458	25,133
Receipts from assets & investment sales				
Total Capital Receipts				
Total Receipts from all sources	24,458	0	24,458	25,133
Expenses for fundraising activities	12,091	0	12,091	9,380
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	1,643	0	1,643	432
Grants and donations	12,181	0	12,181	13,162
Total	25,915	0	25,915	22,974

Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2025

	Unrestricted Funds June 2025 £	Restricted Funds June 2025 £	Total Funds June 2025 £	Last Year June 2024 £
Cash Funds				
Cash & Bank Balances at Start of period				
HSBC Bank Current Account	3,552	0	3,552	1,170
Lloyds Bank Current Account	2,033	2	2,033	2,931
Lloyds Bank Savings Account	1,194	3	1,194	1,180
PayPal Business Account	3	0	0	36
Santander Savings Account	1,405	0	1,405	1,400
Monmouthshire BS Savings Account	16,669	0	16,669	14,290
Cash Account	230	0	230	284
Deficit on receipts & payments account	25,086	0	25,086	21,292
Cash & Bank Balances at end of year				
HSBC Bank Current Account	351	0	351	3,552
HSBC Bank Event Account	0	0	0	0
Lloyds Bank Current Account	3,312	0	3,312	2,033
Lloyds Bank Savings Account	3	0	3	1,194
PayPal Business Account	59	0	59	3
Santander Savings Account	417	0	417	1,405
Monmouthshire BS Savings Account	1,286	0	1,286	16,669
Hampshire Trust Savings	18,001		18,001	
Cash Account	199	0	199	230
Total	23,629	0	23,629	25,086



John Wardley
Honorary Treasurer
Approved by the Board of Trustees on 15th July 2024

**Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated
Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2025**

1 The nature and purpose of each fund

All funds are unrestricted and may be applied upon the purposes of the charity

2 Descriptions and details of grants made

Amount

Type of activity or project supported

Cancer Care & Health	1,486
Child Welfare	550
Community	4,552
Disabled	-
Elderly	2,075
International Appeals	-
National Charities	30
Youth	3,488

Total of grant made as shown in receipts & payments
summary

12,181

3 Statement that no remuneration was paid to a trustee or any person connected with them.

No remuneration was paid to any trustee or any person connected with them

4 Independent Examiner's Fees

No charge by Franks Accountants

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5 Management

In common with other Lions clubs, Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO) finances the running of the club via membership fees and the profit from members' entertainment events and does not use any charitable funds raised from the public to do so.

Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2025

	Unrestricted Funds June 2025 £	Restricted Funds June 2025 £	Total Funds June 2025 £	Last Year June 2024 £
Revenue Receipts				
Grants received for acquisition of fixed assets	0	0	0	0
Receipts from fundraising activities	24,150	0	24,150	24,725
Income from investments other than land & buildings	308	0	308	408
Rents from land & buildings	0	0	0	0
Gross receipts from other charitable activities		0	0	
Total Revenue Receipts	24,458	0	24,458	25,133
Receipts from assets & investment sales				
Total Capital Receipts				
Total Receipts from all sources	24,458	0	24,458	25,133
Expenses for fundraising activities	12,091	0	12,091	9,380
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	1,643	0	1,643	432
Grants and donations	12,181	0	12,181	13,162
Total	25,915	0	25,915	22,974
Net Surplus	-1,457	0	-1,457	2,159

Breakdown of Expenses 01/07/2024 to 30/06/2025

			Receipts from same
Cuddly Lion Stall	173	0	293
PayPal Cashback	0	0	30
Donations & Cashback	0	0	4,502
Dickensian Craft Fayre (2024)	956	0	1,126
Dickensian Day (2024)	785	0	771
Drovers Day 2025	3,760	0	4,998
Drovers Book	68	0	29
Drinks Stock	641	0	863
Membership Fees 2024 - 2025	1,211	0	375
Santa Sleigh 2024	255	0	6,934
Quiz Nights	465	0	1,329
Senior Citizens' Concert	2,219	0	199
Flat Cap	0	0	34
Fashion Show	1,023	0	2,031
Wheelchairs	175	0	335
Club Costs	360	0	300
Total	12,091	0	24,150

Management and administration costs in support of charitable activities	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Last Year
General administrative expenses	June 2025	June 2025	June 2025	June 2024
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising Costs	1,500	0	1,500	564
Recruitment / retention Costs	142	0	142	28
Sundry Expenses		0	0	
Corporate Clothing	0	0	0	0
Training	0		0	30
	1,643		1,643	622
Professional fees in support of charitable events				
CIO Administration	-	-	-	-
Total support costs	1,643	-	1,643	432
Grant making to achieve the objects of the society				
Grants paid including Gift Aid payments				
Grants paid as shown in the attached schedule	12,181	-	12,181	13,162

Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2022

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Last Year
	June 2025	June 2025	June 2025	June 2024
	£	£	£	£
A Detailed schedule of grants paid to achieve the objects of the charity				
Grants to institutions (Net)				
Cancer Care & Health	1,486	0	1,486	1,869
Child Welfare	550	0	550	-
Community	4,552	0	4,552	2,407
Disabled	0	0	0	1,450
Elderly	2,075	0	2,075	140
International Appeals	0	0	-	2,500
National Charities	30	0	30	30
Youth	3,488	0	3,488	2,424
Total institutional grants	12,181	0	12,181	10,819

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INFORMATION - Corporate

Charity name

Wetherby District Lions Club Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

Charity Commission of England and Wales Registered charity number

1166656

Registered principle charity address

The Bridge Hotel & Spa
Walshford, Wetherby
LS22 5HS

Correspondence address

10 Grizedale Close
Wetherby
LS22 6FQ

Name of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Martin Doxey	Honorary Chair of Trustees
Ruth Holt	Honorary Vice-Chair of Trustees
Patricia Wadsworth	Honorary Secretary
John Wardley	Honorary Treasurer
Alan Creighton	Trustee
Ken MacKenzie	Trustee

Name and address of advisers and bankers

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Adam Franks	First Floor, Equinox 1 Audby Lane Wetherby LS22 7RD

Bankers

Name	Address	Name	Address
HSBC Bank	7 Prospect Crescent Harrogate HG1 1RN	Lloyds Bank	16 Market Place Oldham OL1 1JG
Hampshire Trust Bank	80 Fenchurch St London EC3M 4BY	Santander Bank	1 Cambridge Road Harrogate HG1 1PB
Monmouthshire Building Society	Monmouthshire House John Foster Square Newport NP20 1PX	PayPal (online payment system)	Whittaker House 2 Whittaker Avenue Richmond TW9 1EH



AND FINALLY – ‘thank you’

The work of the charity simply wouldn't be possible without external support. The trustees would like to offer their thanks, again, to everybody who has supported the organisation either through volunteering, offering their valuable time and skills or through invaluable financial support. We remain as committed as ever to supporting the people in Wetherby and our surrounding communities.

They include organisations of:

Althams Travel	Costa Coffee	Nicolla Florist
ASK Italian Restaurant	DCS Computing Services	Manning Stainton Estate Agents
AV Matrix	Decorating Centre	Innersense
BAE coffee shop	Frances Liddle Opticians	Kemps Bookshop
Baltzersens Bakeri	Franks Accountants	Jowyns Pet & Country Foods
Bardsey Tree Services	Furnish & Fettle	Richard Grafton Interiors
Bengal Brasserie	Geneva Instruments	Taylor Wimpey
Bike Shack	HartLaw	The Bridge Inn & Spa Hotel
Black Bull Pub	Handpicked Local	The Decorating Centre
Bradleys Jewellers	Howdens	Touchwood
Bright Ideas	Hunters Estate Agents	Wetherby Arts Festival
Buttercrumble	Morrisons	Wetherby Town Council
Cameron Beaumont	MaybeLater	Wetherby Framing Company
Class Office	Nationwide Structures	Wharfedale Property Company

Individuals of:

John Bell	Trish Bell	Jan Branton
John Campbell	Alan Corker	John Cuthbertson
Paul Froes	Rob Gray	Norma Harrington
Kazia Knight	Alan Lamb	Connor Mulhall
Simon Moore	David Spencer	Penny Stables
Gavin Wadsworth		

And to all our supporters who wish to remain anonymous. Not forgetting Lions' partners !

Thank you!



Wetherby



Cow pie Contest

Sunday 29th June 2025

As part of Drovers Day



Entrants can refer to their pies as Cow Pies,
Beef pies or Steak Pies

Results announced at the Market Square Music Event
11:30am



**WETHERBY DISTRICT
LIONS CLUB**
REG. CHARITY No. 1166656

WETHERBY RIVERSIDE BANDSTAND TRUST

REG. CHARITY NO. 1091387



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CIO Registration No. 1166656

Accounts

WETHERBY DISTRICT LIONS CLUB **(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)**



Trustees Annual Report and Accounts
1st July 2023 to 30th June 2024



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WETHERBY DISTRICT LIONS CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION (CIO)

Trustees Annual Report for the Period 1st July 2023 to 30th June 2024

The trustees are pleased to present their annual report together with the consolidated financial statements for the twelve (12) months period ending 30th June 2024. The trustees confirm that the documents of this charity, 'Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO)', demonstrates that the Club has operated as a 'Charitable Incorporated Organisation' in accordance with the current statutory requirements, that of the charity's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016.

INTRODUCTION - Chair of Trustees

This was another successful year for Wetherby District Lions Club CIO. We ran a full programme of events and provided financial and practical help to a wide range of beneficiaries including individuals in need and charitable support organisations in our area.

In conjunction with 'Wetherby Riverside Bandstand Trust' we ran 'Wetherby Drovers Brass Band Marching Contest' which raised funds and provided a great musical event for the people of Wetherby.

We worked with local schools, scouts, Royal Air Force Air Cadets, Mason House, Wetherby Arts Festival, Wetherby Riverside Bandstand Trust, Wetherby Runners, Tockwith Show, Morrisons and Wetherby Town Council.

Our 'Santa's Sleigh' and 'Dickensian Christmas Market' events raised significant funds which more than covered the costs of the 'Senior Citizens Party' event; a meal and show which served 160 elderly and isolated people from our area.

As President I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have helped us raise money and deliver charitable services this year and I look forward to a similarly successful year coming up.



Martin Doxey, Chair of Trustees

Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO)



MISSION – Vision and Values

Wetherby District Lions Club is inspired by and bases itself on its Mission, Vision, and Values to set up the guiding principles of how it operates. We understand that our performance and behaviour are guided as much by the spirit of the mission, vision and values as by the definition of them.



To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.



To be the global leader in community and humanitarian service.



We exist to raise and disburse charity funds according to the constitution of Lions Clubs International and the rules of the charity commissioners and we aim to be involved in local, nationally and internationally community activities and projects.



To be committed, credible, compassionate and caring.

Lions became an international organisation after being founded in 1917 in Chicago. Since then, we've earned high marks for both integrity and transparency. We're a well-run organisation with a steady vision, a clear mission as stated above, together with a long – and proud – **history**.

VALUES – Our Core

Commitment to

SERVICE

We are responsive to the needs of Lions. We seek to understand their priorities, values and needs, and to empower their service. We are committed to our shared goal of community and humanitarian service.

Dedication to

EXCELLENCE

We are passionate about the causes Lions serve and the quality of our work. We go beyond what is expected, striving for excellence and continuous improvement in all we do.

Appreciation for

DIVERSITY

We create and foster a spirit of understanding among the people of the world, knowing that diversity is our strength. We appreciate individual and cultural differences, and we embrace the experiences and talents of others because together we are more.

Dynamic

COLLABORATION

We work as a team to improve the quality and relevance of our programs and initiatives. We welcome and encourage the participation of Lions, partners and colleagues, solving problems and meeting challenges together

Personal and Professional

INTEGRITY

We promote and live by the principles of good citizenship. We are dependable, honest and trustworthy professionals who are accountable for our actions and their results.

Spirit of

INNOVATION

We evolve to meet the changing needs of those we serve, embracing an environment of growth and creativity. We rigorously test and optimize ideas, and encourage the adoption of best practices globally.

OUR STRATEGY - Priorities

Partnerships

To achieve our vision and mission, we know we must identify and work with partners who add value to the delivery of our services. Therefore we will work with other organisations in our community to deliver charitable services to all parts and assemblies in the Wetherby and district area.

Sustainability

To continue delivering on our objectives, it's important for the charity to remain fit for the future and responsive to change. Therefore we will:

- look to develop a membership recruitment programme so that we can maintain the charitable work of the Club;
- look to recruit new internal and external trustees based upon insight gathered from a robust skills audit and gap analysis.

Communication

We will raise our profile using a range of communication channels. This will include growing our audiences to ensure more people know about our work and services by:

- increasing our social media followers on all platforms;
- continuing to develop our website as an information hub for our supporters and volunteers and to witness more page views to the website.

Development

We will develop our charity by carefully considering the needs of the people we serve in the community. We will support our membership and volunteers to develop their potential through improved learning and development opportunities and a review of trustee skills.

Conclusion

Our strategy aims to build a sustainable, impactful charity that makes a significant difference in the lives of people in the communities we serve. By achieving our vision, mission, and values, and by strategically engaging with partners, managing our resources and communicating effectively, we will foster a community that fully supports its people to live long, enjoyable and fulfilling lives for both the young and elderly.

STRUCTURE - Governance and Management

Charity's objects

- To raise and disburse charity and welfare funds according to the constitution of Lions Clubs International and the rules of the charity commissioners;
- To be involved in community activities and projects;
- To be active locally, nationally and internationally in respect of the aforementioned activities.

Type of governance document

Charitable Constitution.

Constitution of Charity

Charitable Incorporated Organisation - Association Model

Trustee selection methods

Elected by members of Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO).

Additional governance issues

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other benefit; they are responsible for the strategic development of the charity.

Training of trustees

Trustees' personal needs are evaluated and appropriate training given. Advantage is taken of complimentary governance seminars offered by local corporate organisations. The charity is also a member of the not-for-profit organisation 'Volunteer Action Leeds'. This organisation offers a wide range of expertise and practical support for charitable organisations at minimal cost.

Charity's organisational structure

Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO) was registered with the Charity Commission on 21st April 2016 using their 'Association' model. The charity's members are members of Wetherby District Lions Club, which is part of the Lions Clubs International (LCI) organisation and operates according to a typical constitution of a Lions Club adapted to the local needs of the Club. A trustee appointment shall be made for a term of three years or in the event of a vacancy in the office of a nominated trustee prior to the expiration of his term of office, for such period as the trustee whose place s/he has filled would have continued in office. When new trustees are appointed they are given information about the role of a trustees and charity law in a 'Trustee Induction Pack'. Local training courses are arranged for incoming and existing trustees.

Wider networks

Being a member of LCI, Wetherby District Lions Club operates through their national and international organisation. In any case of international disaster relief and long-term recovery, this is managed

through the Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) which allocates grants and donations to Lions Clubs in the disaster zone, thus ensuring good governance and an auditable trail of funds.

Major risks and the system and procedures to manage them

LCI has a national structure in the UK and an international structure worldwide, headquartered in the USA; they provide advice, training and assistance in all aspects of fundraising and charitable activities. Nationally the organisation has office staff based in Birmingham to manage and support UK based members in their charitable pursuits.

ACHIEVEMENTS - and Performance

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The trustees shall hold the charitable fund and its income and apply them for any purpose which is charitable according to the law of England and Wales whether for the benefit of any individual or group of people or for the benefit of any other organisation established for charitable purposes, ('The Objects'), PROVIDED ALWAYS that the trustees shall not apply the charitable fund or any part thereof without first obtaining the approval, as defined in the Lions Club constitution, of the Lions Club at a Lions Club meeting. This is defined as a majority vote in favour, provided there is a quorum of members (50% of the Club's members).

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit

In accordance with the Charities Act 2006, Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO) is required to confirm that the activities it undertakes to achieve its objectives are all carried out for the public benefit as described by the Charity Commission. In shaping these objectives for the past twelve months trustees have attended as many community events as resources allowed including school fairs where our tradition Yorkshire 'Flat Cap Throwing competition was staged.

We worked closely with 'Wetherby Bandstand Trust' to create the second year of the 'Drovers' Day' event which saw 18 brass bands march through Wetherby town and enhanced by an Artisan Market around Wetherby Market Place.

The Club presented the annual Santa's sleigh rides in Wetherby and the neighbouring village of Kirk Deighton, bringing a great deal of good cheer to everyone and providing much needed income which was enhanced by further donations from the public.

The annual 'Dickensian Christmas Market & Craft Fayre' continued to be successful bringing in the crowds to see the market stalls and a variety of entertainment which included bands and many choirs from local schools and groups.

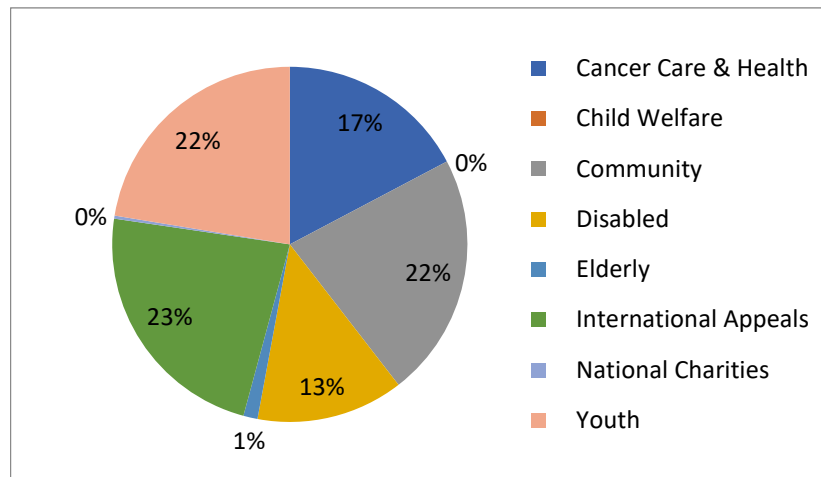
Additionally the following activities were held:

- supporting several community activities including flower watering to assist the local 'Wetherby in Bloom' scheme;
- presenting our 'Cuddly Lion' tombola at local fetes;
- hosting a 'Thankyou Biz Quiz Nite' in partnership with Morrisons Supermarket for the local business community to support other charitable organisations;
- presenting a 'Fashion Show' with an accompanying traditional 'pub' meal;
- organising a 'Senior Citizens' Party' and entertainment show for the benefit of 200 elderly people identified by local carers and groups;
- operating a 'free of charge' community wheelchair loan scheme.

Charitable funds that Club members have raised are disbursed to charities, groups and individual beneficiaries in the local, national and international community in accordance with the 'Grant Making Policy'. After due consideration by the Club's Grants & Community Service Committee, and agreed by a majority vote by Club members, they have donated grants to the following categories:

Cancer Care & Health;
Child Welfare;
Community;
Disabled;
Elderly;
International Appeals;
National Charities;
Youth.

Specifically grant donations were awarded to a number of health related charities: Young Live vs Cancer; Kids Cancer Charity, and MedicAlert support.



The Club has continued to target grants to the local community, donating to service organisations and active community groups (Wetherby Weir Preservation Society, Wetherby Arts Festival, Wetherby Foodbank, Wetherby Bandstand Trust) and local youth groups (boys and girls football and cricket clubs, Brownie and Scouts packs and primary schools). A specific project was to support the local Wetherby Sports Association with the refurbishment of their Clubhouse. Additionally, support continued to be given to local families suffering 'cost of living hardships'.

Also supported are Lions linked projects as: regional holiday schemes and elderly peoples' festive meals and outings, Members gave service time and a grant to 'Wetherby in Bloom' and a local youth enterprise schemes.

A number of national/international charities were assisted such as Royal British Legion; Heart Research UK, and Lions International Foundation (LIF).

The ongoing war in Ukraine has created a significant humanitarian crises and the Club has supported this through both the LIF international appeals protocol and locally supporting a vehicle taking wheelchair and aid supplies to hospitals. With other Local Lions Clubs monies were raised to purchase and send two fire appliances to a Ukraine village.

Section D – Achievements and performance

The last twelve months has seen a continued increase in the monies raised from the Club's annual events following the earlier impact of COVID-19 related issues. The cancellation of the 'Great Yorkshire Bike Ride' again in 2024 and the associated loss of the income, has impacted significantly on the funding for many local and international charities as well as loss of support to the charity work of other Lions Clubs in the Yorkshire Region.

The charity continued to use 'online giving' as part of the portfolio with mainly the use of 'JustGiving' online facilities. This scheme, together with direct application to HMRC for fundraising activities, has enabled Gift Aid to be claimed which has increased fundraising efforts by £2,302.03. Other donation online giving sites as 'Givey', 'PayPal' and 'GoodHub' are all available to supporters.

Additionally, the publicity and encouragement of our members and supporters to use our online shopping donation schemes 'Easyfundraising' have also increased funds.

The Club continued to develop the website and social networking sites to publicise fundraising and charitable giving efforts. Commercial companies of Morrisons Supermarket, Manning Stainton Estate Agents and Franks Accountants have all provided support from their staff. Indeed, they have been a welcome resource attending at our community events.

Performance Review

During the year several detailed reviews of the charity's performance were undertaken to ensure the quality of delivery. Trustees used the 'Charity Governance Code' and the Charities Commission's 'Internal Financial Controls' documentation as a basis to undertake the reviews.

**LIONS
MESSAGE
IN A
BOTTLE**
IT COULD HELP
SAVE YOUR LIFE



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SINCE 1917
**WHERE THERE'S A NEED
THERE'S A LION**

How does it work?

In the event of an accident or incident, within the home, the first emergency service on the scene will be alerted to the bottle by the label on the door. The bottle can then be located by the attending service.

Just keep it in the fridge

A scheme to benefit everyone.
Provides essential information for the
EMERGENCY SERVICES when
they need it.

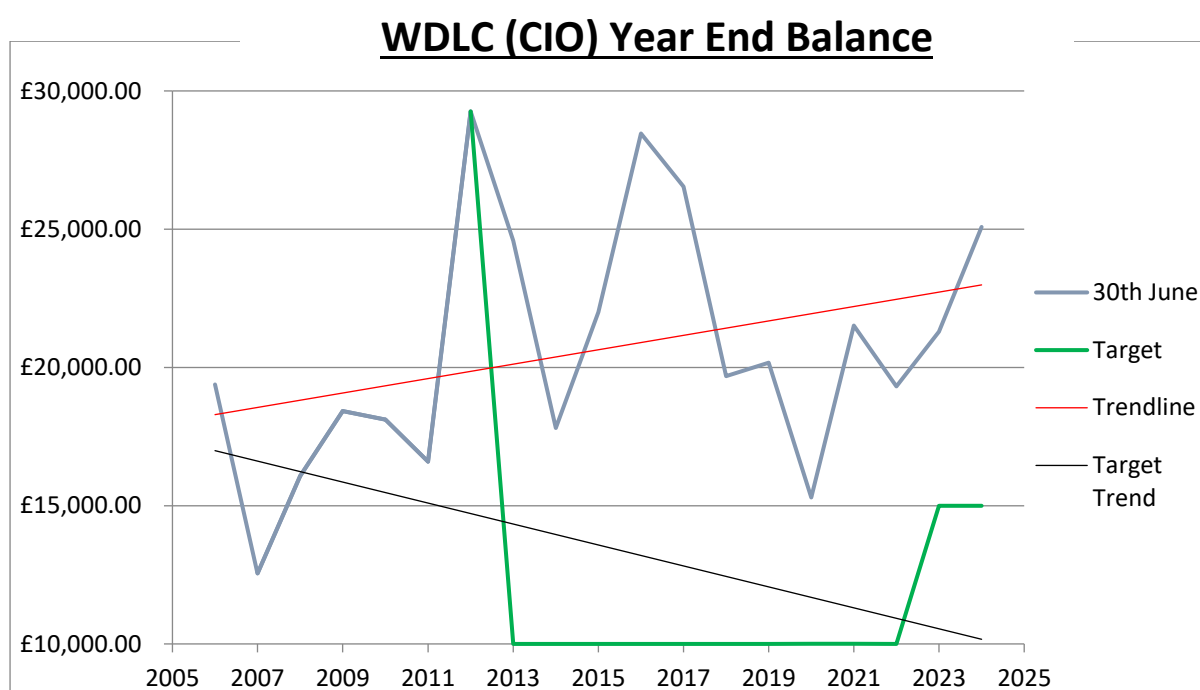


FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity's policy on reserves

The Club's policy on reserves is not to hold a specific reserve fund but to husband its resources so that the Club is able to respond to requests for assistance as appropriate. Should a request of significance be received, which cannot be met from immediate Club funds, members will apply for emergency funds from LCIF; Structure - Governance and Management – Wider Networks refers. There are no significant legal or infrastructure obligations in the event that the charity needed to close.

Trustees have been conscious of the significant year-end balances in the former charity trust over the past years and have again worked hard to reduce this level during the year; see chart below.



Trustees set an objective in 2013 of holding a £10,000 year-end balance, this has not been achieved over the years and, due to the current economic climate and cost pressures, the target has been revised to £15,000.

Recognising the above position, trustees have endeavoured to maximise the situation without adopting a high risk investment strategy and have continued with a savings account with the Monmouth Building Society. Whilst the income from this account is currently small with interest rates at circa 1.00% per annum, it does realise a small income from the £16,669.31 currently deposited in the account.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. Strategic risk management is regularly overseen by the board of trustees.

The trustees have considered the risks affecting the charity and its activities as part of its planning process and have concluded that there is little to no exposure to direct financial risk as there are few specific liabilities to managing the Club, particularly on the closure of the charity. They have recognised however the economic downturn on charitable giving which has continued in the period resulting in a lower funds being available to the Club; charitable grant giving has reduced accordingly and is expected to continue at this level in the short term.

The importance of safeguarding vulnerable older people and children in all areas of our work is at the forefront of our considerations. The charity has a safeguarding policy which applies to all Lion members and volunteers who have contact with any potentially vulnerable person or child.

Trustees are constantly reviewing the skills of trustees and regularly seek additional trustees from the organisation's members and community representatives and will continue to do so in the coming year. All trustees continue to attend training courses as appropriate.

THE YEAR AHEAD – Our Strategy

The charity will continue to support the people of Wetherby and the surrounding area by helping individuals and organisations in time of need as the Club has done for the last 58 years.

Through the implementation of our strategic framework, we will be challenging ourselves to further develop our services to be first-class, so that the health and wellbeing of those we support is truly enhanced.

Specifically trustees will:

- consider the impact of the continuing COVID-19 related issues on the operation of the charity in respect of the fundraising activities and membership retention and recruitment;
- review, before the end of the 2025 fiscal year, the events that have been staged in the period and determine if these events should be repeated in the next financial year;
- continue to focus fundraising efforts within the local area and additionally to focus on conurbations outside of Wetherby; namely the town of Tadcaster and the villages of Boston Spa, Bardsey, Clifford and Scarcroft;
- continue to manage events with a multi-disciplinary community team;
- strive to increase membership by an organised professional approach showing due diligence and transparency throughout the process; particularly addressing membership diversity including LGBTQIA+ and non-binary/pansexual/2S inclusion;
- develop further the use of social media to educate, inform and publicise the charity and its activities and ensure that all opportunities for the publicity and promotion of our services are maximised;
- continue our assessment of our charity against the ‘Charity Governance Code for Small Charities’, ensuring the high standards of governance which forms part of the principles and recommended practices are met;
- work towards diversity of the board of trustees and recruit new trustees with relevant skills and qualities.

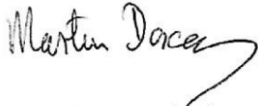


TRUSTEE DECLARATION

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Annual Report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Martin Doxey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the letter 'y'.

Full name: Martin Doxey

Position: Chairman of Trustees

Date: 01/11/2024



WETHERBY LIONS
TOWNSPERSON OF THE YEAR
2024
KAZIA KNIGHT

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT



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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Wetherby District Lion Club Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2024 (the Trust).

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Trust (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Trust are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mr Adam Franks FCCA
Franks Accountants Limited
Date: 07 October 2024



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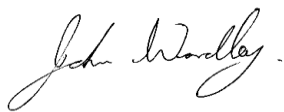
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Gross receipts from other charitable activities		0	0	60
Total Revenue Receipts	31,595	0	31,595	24,956
Receipts from assets & investment sales				
Total Capital Receipts				
Total Receipts from all sources	31,595	0	31,595	24,956
Expenses for fundraising activities	16,361	0	16,361	9,380
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	622	0	622	432
Grants and donations	10,819	0	10,819	13,162
Total	27,802	0	27,802	22,974

Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2024

	Unrestricted Funds June 2024 £	Restricted Funds June 2024 £	Total Funds June 2024 £	Last Year June 2023 £
Cash Funds				
Cash & Bank Balances at Start of period				
HSBC Bank Current Account	1,170	0	1,170	1,571
HSBC Bank Event Account	0	0	0	0
Lloyds Bank Current Account	2,931	0	2,931	0
Lloyds Bank Savings Account	1,180	0	1,180	0
PayPal Business Account	36	0	0	104
Santander Savings Account	1,400	0	1,400	1,395
Monmouthshire BS Savings Account	14,290	0	14,290	16,126
Cash Account	284	0	284	114
Deficit on receipts & payments account	21,292	0	21,292	19,310
Cash & Bank Balances at end of year				
HSBC Bank Current Account	3,552	0	3,552	1,170
HSBC Bank Event Account	0	0	0	0
Lloyds Bank Current Account	2,033	0	2,033	2,931
Lloyds Bank Savings Account	1,194	0	1,194	1,180
PayPal Business Account	3	0	3	36
Santander Savings Account	1,405	0	1,405	1,400
Monmouthshire BS Savings Account	16,669	0	16,669	14,290
Cash Account	230	0	230	284
Total	25,086	0	25,086	21,292
Liabilities				
	-	0	0	0



John Wardley
Honorary Treasurer

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 15th July 2024

**Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated
Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2024**

1 The nature and purpose of each fund

All funds are unrestricted and may be applied upon the purposes of the charity

2 Descriptions and details of grants made

Amount

Type of activity or project supported

Cancer Care & Health	1,869
Child Welfare	-
Community	2,407
Disabled	1,450
Elderly	140
International Appeals	2,500
National Charities	30
Youth	2,424
Total of grant made as shown in receipts & payments summary	10,819

3 Statement that no remuneration was paid to a trustee or any person connected with them.

No remuneration was paid to any trustee or any person connected with them

4 Independent Examiner's Fees

No charge by Franks Accountants 0

5 Management

In common with other Lions clubs, Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO) finances the running of the club via membership fees and the profit from members' entertainment events and does not use any charitable funds raised from the public to do so.

Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2024

	Unrestricted Funds June 2024 £	Restricted Funds June 2024 £	Total Funds June 2024 £	Last Year June 2023 £
Revenue Receipts				
Grants received for acquisition of fixed assets	0	0	0	0
Receipts from fundraising activities	31,188	0	31,188	24,725
Income from investments other than land & buildings	408	0	408	172
Rents from land & buildings	0	0	0	0
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	0	0	0	60
Total Revenue Receipts	31,595	0	31,595	24,957
Receipts from assets & investment sales				
Total Capital Receipts				
Total Receipts from all sources	31,595	0	31,595	24,957
Expenses for fundraising activities	16,361	0	16,361	9,380
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	622	0	622	432
Grants and donations	10,819	0	10,819	13,162
Total	27,802	0	27,802	22,974
Net Surplus	3,793	0	3,793	1,983
Breakdown of Expenses 01/07/2023 to 30/06/2024			Receipts from same	
Cuddly Lion Stall	235	0	567	
PayPal Cashback	0	0	10	
Donations & Cashback	0	0	3,031	
Dickensian Craft Fayre (2023)	26	0	440	
Dickensian Craft Fayre (2024)			1,160	
Dickensian Day (2023)	275	0	964	
Dickensian Day (2024)	35		1,000	
Drovers Marching Event	855	0	1,193	
Drovers Day 2024	7,904	0	9,255	
Drovers Book	8	0	674	
Drinks Stock	223	0	0	
Membership Fees 2023 - 2024	1,025	0	571	
Membership Fees 2024 - 2025	0	0	390	
Santa Sleigh 2023	465	0	7,381	
Santa Sleigh 2024	145	0	0	
Quiz Nights	569	0	1,267	
Senior Citizens' Concert	2,602	0	1,038	
Flat Cap	67	0	190	
Fashion Show	829	0	1,867	
Wheelchairs	170	0	110	
Club Costs	928	0	79	
Total	16,361	0	31,188	

Management and administration costs in support of charitable activities	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Last Year
General administrative expenses	June 2024	June 2024	June 2024	June 2023
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising Costs	564	0	564	432
Recruitment / retention Costs	28	0	28	0
Sundry Expenses		0	0	0
Corporate Clothing	0	0	0	0
Training	30		30	0
	622		622	432
Professional fees in support of charitable events				
CIO Administration	-	-	-	-
Total support costs	622	-	622	432
Grant making to achieve the objects of the society				
Grants paid including Gift Aid payments				
Grants paid as shown in the attached schedule				
	10,819	-	10,819	13,162

Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2024

Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Last Year
June 2024	June 2024	June 2024	June 2023
£	£	£	£

A Detailed schedule of grants paid to achieve the objects of the charity

Grants to institutions (Net)

Cancer Care & Health	1,869	0	1,869	2,251
Child Welfare	-	0	-	1,971
Community	2,407	0	2,407	4,644
Disabled	1,450	0	1,450	0
Elderly	140	0	140	780
International Appeals	2,500	0	2,500	1,500
National Charities	30	0	30	630
Youth	2,424	0	2,424	1,386

Total institutional grants	10,819	0	10,819	13,162
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INFORMATION - Corporate

Charity name

Wetherby District Lions Club Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

Charity Commission of England and Wales Registered charity number

1166656

Registered principle charity address

The Bridge Hotel & Spa
Walshford, Wetherby
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Correspondence address

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Name of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Martin Doxey	Honorary Chair of Trustees
Ruth Holt	Honorary Vice-Chair of Trustees
Patricia Wadsworth	Honorary Secretary
John Wardley	Honorary Treasurer
Alan Creighton	Trustee
Ken MacKenzie	Trustee

Name and address of advisers and bankers

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Adam Franks	First Floor, Equinox 1 Audby Lane Wetherby LS22 7RD
Bankers	Name	Address
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	Monmouthshire Building Society	Monmouthshire House John Foster Square Newport NP20 1PX
	PayPal	Whittaker House 2 Whittaker Avenue Richmond TW9 1EH



AND FINALLY – ‘thank you’

The work of the charity simply wouldn't be possible without external support. The trustees would like to offer their thanks, again, to everybody who has supported the organisation either through volunteering, offering their valuable time and skills or through invaluable financial support. We remain as committed as ever to supporting the people in Wetherby and our surrounding communities.

They include organisations of:

ASK Italian Restaurant	Franks Accountants	Joywyns Pet & Country Foods
BAE coffee shop	Furnish & Fettle	Printworks Ltd
Bardsey Tree Services	Geneva Instruments	Richard Grafton Interiors
Bengal Brasserie	HartLaw	Snug & Chatter.
Bike Shack	Handpicked Local	Timpsons
Black Bull Pub	Hunters Estate Agents	The Bridge Inn & Spa Hotel
Bradleys Jewellers	Morrisons	The Decorating Centre
Bright Ideas	Nicolla Florist	The Rainflorist
Buttercrumble	Manning Stainton Estate Agents	Touchwood
Caines Jewellers	Marslands Timber	Wetherby Arts Festival
Costa Coffee;	Pet & Country Store and	Wetherby Town Council
DCS Computing Services	Innersense;	Wetherby Travel
Frances Liddle Opticians	Optimum Vehicles	Wetherby in Support of the Elderly

Individuals of:

John Bell	John Cuthbertson	Paul Froes
Rob Gray	John Leetch	Simon Moore
Galan Moss	David Spencer	Gavin Wadsworth

And to all our supporters who wish to remain anonymous.

Thank you!



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CIO Registration No. 1166656

Accounts

WETHERBY DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)



Trustees Annual Report and Accounts
1st July 2022 to 30th June 2023



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WETHERBY DISTRICT LIONS CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION (CIO)

Trustees Annual Report for the Period 1st July 2022 to 30th June 2023

The trustees are pleased to present their annual report together with the consolidated financial statements for the twelve (12) months period ending 30th June 2023. This charity, 'Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO)', has operated as a 'Charitable Incorporated Organisation' in accordance with the current statutory requirements, that of the charity's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016.

INTRODUCTION - Chair of Trustees

This year marked a very welcome return to near normality as we progressed beyond the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Wetherby Lions had a very active programme throughout the year raising funds and delivering service and a very wide range of support to our community. A most pleasing aspect of our work was assisting other groups with events such as Tockwith Show, School Galas, Wetherby 10K Run, Wetherby Arts Festival, Wetherby Bandstand Trust, Wetherby in Bloom and Toilet Twinning.

We gained some new highly active and capable Lions but sadly two long term stalwarts, Colin Gaden and John Hubbard passed away to 'higher service'. We were pleased to sponsor riverside memorial benches to mark their service.

The club's finances remained strong and we made some progress in reducing our funding balance. Our Flagship events at Christmas went smoothly as we toured the streets with Santa's Sleigh and held another very successful Dickensian Christmas Market and subsequent Senior Citizen's Party.

In the second half of the year we worked closely with 'Leeds 2023' and Wetherby Bandstand Trust to create the first 'Drovers' Day' which saw 15 brass bands marching through the town and a day of celebration around the Market Place on the first day of the new Lions year.

I am delighted to report that the club elected its first female Vice-President and Club Secretary which better reflects the diversity of our membership.



Martin Doxey, Chair of Trustees

MISSION – Vision and Values

Wetherby District Lions Club is inspired by and bases itself on its Mission, Vision, and Values to set up the guiding principles of how it operates. We understand that our performance and behaviour are guided as much by the spirit of the mission, vision and values as by the definition of them.



To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.



To be the global leader in community and humanitarian service.



To be committed, credible, compassionate and caring.

Lions became an international organization after being founded in 1917 in Chicago. Since then, we've earned high marks for both integrity and transparency. We're a well-run organisation with a steady vision, a clear mission as stated above, together with a long – and proud – **history**.

VALUES – Our Core

Commitment to **SERVICE**

We are responsive to the needs of Lions. We seek to understand their priorities, values and needs, and to empower their service. We are committed to our shared goal of community and humanitarian service.

Dedication to **EXCELLENCE**

We are passionate about the causes Lions serve and the quality of our work. We go beyond what is expected, striving for excellence and continuous improvement in all we do.

Appreciation for **DIVERSITY**

We create and foster a spirit of understanding among the people of the world, knowing that diversity is our strength. We appreciate individual and cultural differences, and we embrace the experiences and talents of others because together we are more.

Dynamic **COLLABORATION**

We work as a team to improve the quality and relevance of our programs and initiatives. We welcome and encourage the participation of Lions, partners and colleagues, solving problems and meeting challenges together

Personal and Professional **INTEGRITY**

We promote and live by the principles of good citizenship. We are dependable, honest and trustworthy professionals who are accountable for our actions and their results.

Spirit of **INNOVATION**

We evolve to meet the changing needs of those we serve, embracing an environment of growth and creativity. We rigorously test and optimize ideas, and encourage the adoption of best practices globally.

STRUCTURE - Governance and Management

Charity's objects

- To raise and disburse charity and welfare funds according to the constitution of Lions Clubs International and the rules of the charity commissioners;
- To be involved in community activities and projects;
- To be active locally, nationally and internationally in respect of the aforementioned activities.

Type of governance document

Charitable Constitution.

Constitution of Charity

Charitable Incorporated Organisation - Association Model

Trustee selection methods

Elected by members of Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO).

Additional governance issues

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other benefit; they are responsible for the strategic development of the charity.

Training of trustees

Trustees' personal needs are evaluated and appropriate training given. Advantage is taken of complimentary governance seminars offered by local corporate organisations. The charity is also a member of the not-for-profit organisation 'Volunteer Action Leeds'. They offer a wide range of expertise and practical support for charitable organisations at minimal cost.

Charity's organisational structure

Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO) was registered with the Charity Commission on 21st April 2016 using their 'Association' model. The charity's members are members of Wetherby District Lions Club, which is part of the Lions Clubs International (LCI) organisation and operates according to a typical constitution of a Lions Club adapted to the local needs of the Club. A trustee appointment shall be made for a term of three years or in the event of a vacancy in the office of a nominated trustee prior to the expiration of his term of office, for such period as the trustee whose place s/he has filled would have continued in office. When new trustees are appointed they are given information about the role of a trustees and charity law in a 'Trustee Induction Pack'. Local training courses are arranged for incoming and existing trustees.

Wider networks

Being a member of LCI, Wetherby District Lions Club operates through their national and international organisation. In any case of international disaster relief and long-term recovery, this is managed

through the Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) which allocates grants and donations to Lions Clubs in the disaster zone, thus ensuring good governance and an auditable trail of funds.

Major risks and the system and procedures to manage them

LCI has a national structure in the UK and an international structure worldwide, headquartered in the USA; they provide advice, training and assistance in all aspects of fundraising and charitable activities. Nationally the organisation has office staff based in Birmingham to manage and support UK based members in their charitable pursuits.

ACHIEVEMENTS - and Performance

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The trustees shall hold the charitable fund and its income to apply them for any purpose which is charitable according to the law of England and Wales whether for the benefit of any individual or group of people or for the benefit of any other organisation established for charitable purposes, ('The Objects'), PROVIDED ALWAYS that the trustees shall not apply the charitable fund or any part thereof without first obtaining the approval, as defined in the Lions Club constitution, of the Lions Club at a Lions Club meeting. This is defined as a majority vote in favour, provided there is a quorum of members (50% of the Club's members).

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit

In accordance with the Charities Act 2006, Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO) is required to confirm that the activities it undertakes to achieve its objectives are all carried out for the public benefit as described by the Charity Commission. In shaping these objectives for the past twelve months trustees have attended as many community events as resources allowed including an agricultural show where our tradition Yorkshire 'Flat Cap Throwing' competition was staged.

We worked closely with 'Leeds 2023' and 'Wetherby Bandstand Trust' to create the first 'Drovers' Day' event which saw 15 brass bands march through Wetherby town and enhanced by a day of celebration around the Market Place.

The Club presented the annual Santa's sleigh rides in Wetherby and the neighbouring village of Kirk Deighton, bringing a great deal of good cheer to everyone and providing much needed income which was enhanced by further donations from the public.

The annual 'Dickensian Christmas Market & Craft Fayre' continued to be successful bringing in the crowds to see the market stalls and a variety of entertainment which included bands and many choirs from local schools and groups.

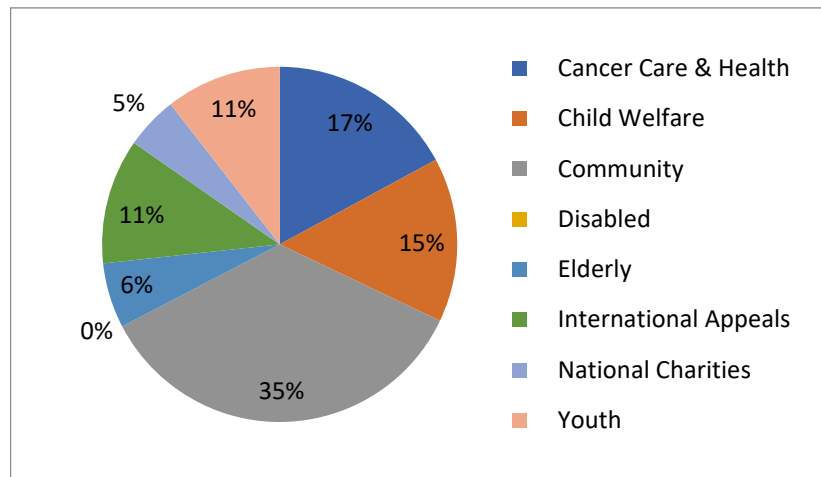
Additionally the following activities were held:

- supporting several community activities including flower watering to assist the local 'Wetherby in Bloom' scheme;
- presenting our 'Cuddly Lion' tombola at local fetes;
- hosting a 'Thankyou Quiz Nite' in partnership with Morrisons Supermarket for the local business community to support other charitable organisations;
- organising a 'Senior Citizens' Party' and entertainment show for the benefit of 200 elderly people identified by local carers and groups;
- operating a 'free of charge' community wheelchair loan scheme;

Charitable funds that Club members have raised are disbursed to charities, groups and individual beneficiaries in the local, national and international community in accordance with the 'Grant Making Policy'. After due consideration by the Club's Grants & Community Service Committee, and agreed by a majority vote by Club members, they have donated grants to the following categories:

Cancer Care & Health;
Child Welfare;
Community;
Disabled;
Elderly;
International Appeals;
National Charities;
Youth.

Specifically grant donations were awarded to a number of health related charities: Life Without Limits; Medic Alert, Leeds Hospital Charities and Martin House Sanctuary.



The Club has continued to target grants to the local community, donating to service organisations and active community groups (Wetherby Weir Preservation Society, Wetherby Arts Festival, Wetherby Foodbank, Wetherby Bandstand Trust) and local youth groups (boys and girls football and cricket clubs, Brownie and Scouts packs and primary schools). A specific project was for several memorial benches situated at the Riverside Gardens to celebrate Lion members moving to 'higher service'. Similarly, support was given to local families suffering 'cost of living hardships'.

Also supported are Lions linked projects as: regional holiday schemes and elderly peoples' festive meals and outings, Members gave service time and a grant to Wetherby in Bloom and a local youth enterprise schemes.

A number of national/international charities were assisted such as Royal British Legion; Heart Research UK, Turkey Earthquake Appeal and Lions International Foundation (LIF).

The ongoing war in Ukraine has created a significant humanitarian crises and the Club has supported this through the LIF international appeals protocol.

Section D – Achievements and performance

The last twelve months has seen a continued reduction in the monies raised from the Club's annual events due to COVID-19 related issues. The cancellation of the 'Great Yorkshire Bike Ride' and the associated loss of the income, has impacted significantly on the funding for many local and international charities as well as loss of support to the charity work of other Lions Clubs in the Yorkshire Region.

The charity continued to use 'online giving' as part of the portfolio with the use of 'JustGiving online facilities. This scheme, together with direct application to HMRC for fundraising activities, has enabled Gift Aid to be claimed which has increased fundraising efforts by £2,003.97.

Additionally, the publicity and encouragement of our members and supporters to use our online shopping donation schemes 'Easyfundraising' and 'smile.amazon.co.uk' have also increased funds.

The Club continued to develop the website and social networking sites to publicise fundraising and charitable giving efforts. Commercial companies of Morrisons Supermarket, Manning Stainton Estate Agents and Franks Accountants have all provided support from their staff. Indeed, they have been a welcome resource attending at our community events.

Performance Review

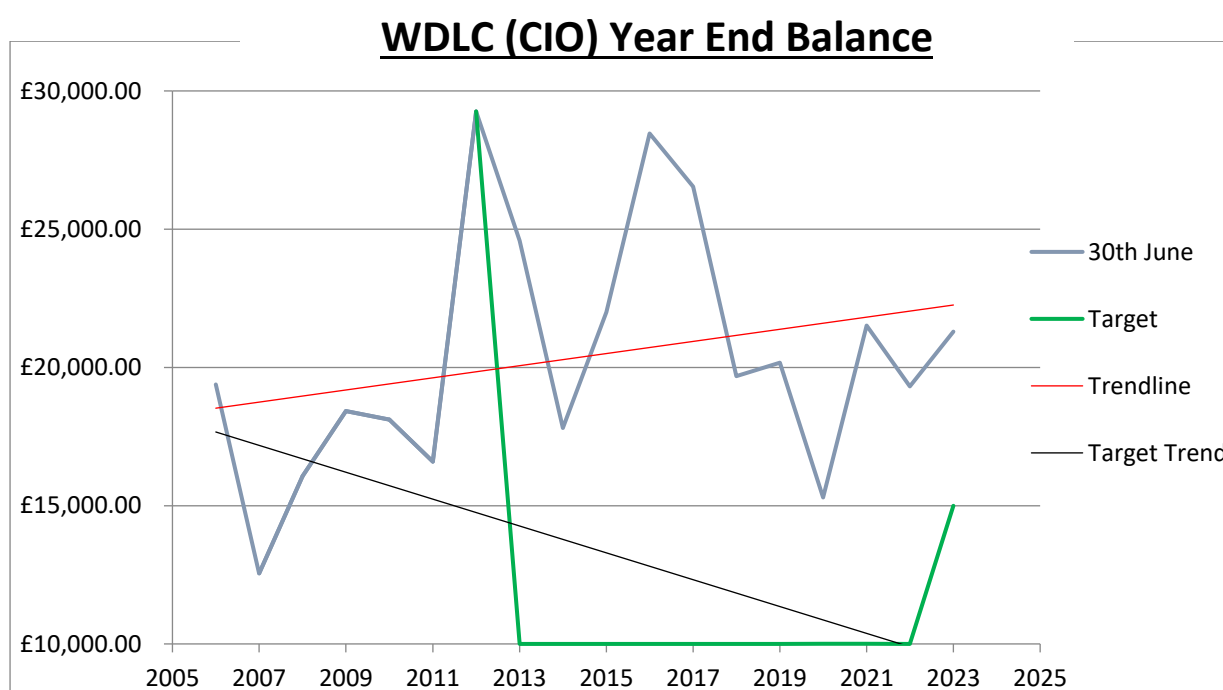
During the year several detailed reviews of the charity's performance were undertaken to ensure the quality of delivery. Trustees used the 'Charity Governance Code' and the Charities Commission's 'Internal Financial Controls' documentation as a basis to undertake the reviews.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity's policy on reserves

The Club's policy on reserves is not to hold a specific reserve fund but to husband its resources so that the Club is able to respond to requests for assistance as appropriate. Should a request of significance be received, which cannot be met from immediate Club funds, members will apply for emergency funds from LCIF; Structure - Governance and Management – Wider Networks refers. There are no significant legal or infrastructure obligations in the event that the charity needed to close.

Trustees have been conscious of the significant year-end balances in the former charity trust over the past years and have again worked hard to reduce this level during the year; see chart below.



Trustees set an objective in 2013 of holding a £10,000.00 year-end balance, this has not been achieved over the years and, due to the current economic climate and cost pressures, the target has been revised to £15,000.

Recognising the above position, trustees have endeavoured to maximise the situation without adopting a high risk investment strategy and have continued with a savings account with the Monmouth Building Society. Whilst the income from this account is currently small with interest rates at 1.00% per annum, it does realise a small income on the £16,125.62 currently deposited in the account.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. Strategic risk management is regularly overseen by the board of trustees.

The trustees have considered the risks affecting the charity and its activities as part of its planning process and have concluded that there is little to no exposure to direct financial risk as there are few specific liabilities to managing the Club, particularly on the closure of the charity. They have recognised however the economic downturn on charitable giving which has sharpened in the period resulting in a lower funds being available to the Club; charitable grant giving has reduced accordingly and is expected to continue in the short term.

The importance of safeguarding vulnerable older people and children in all areas of our work is at the forefront of our considerations. The charity has a safeguarding policy which applies to all Lion members and volunteers who have regular contact with any potentially vulnerable person.

Trustees are constantly reviewing the skills of Trustees and regularly seek additional trustees from the organisation's members and community representatives and will continue to do so in the coming year. Indeed two additional Trustees have come on board during the fiscal year and attended training courses as appropriate.

THE YEAR AHEAD – Our Strategy

The charity will continue to support the people of Wetherby and the surrounding area by helping individuals and organisations in time of need as the Club has done for the last 57 years.

Through the implementation of our strategic framework, we will be challenging ourselves to improve our services to be first-class, so that the health and wellbeing of those we support is truly enhanced.

Specifically trustees will:

- consider the impact of the continuing COVID-19 related issues on the operation of the charity in respect of the fundraising activities and membership retention and recruitment;
- review, before the end of the 2023 calendar year, the events that have been staged in the period and determine if these events should be repeated in the next financial year;
- continue to focus fundraising efforts within the local area and additionally to focus on conurbations outside of Wetherby; namely the town of Tadcaster and the villages of Boston Spa, Bardsey, Clifford and Scarcroft;
- continue to manage events with a multi-disciplinary community team;
- strive to increase membership by an organised professional approach showing due diligence and transparency throughout the process; particularly addressing membership diversity including LGBTQIA+ inclusion;
- develop further the use of social media to educate, inform and publicise the charity and its activities and ensure that all opportunities for the publicity and promotion of our services are maximised;
- continue our assessment of our charity against the ‘Charity Governance Code for Small Charities’, ensuring the high standards of governance which forms part of the principles and recommended practices are met;
- work towards diversity of the board of trustees and recruit new trustees with relevant skills and qualities.



TRUSTEE DECLARATION

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Annual Report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Martin Doxey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail that extends to the right.

Full name: Martin Doxey

Position: Chairman of Trustees

Date: 20/09/2023



INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT



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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Wetherby District Lion Club Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2023 (the Trust).

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Trust (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Trust are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Adam Franks', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mr Adam Franks FCCA
Franks Accountants Limited
Date: 28 September 2023

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation

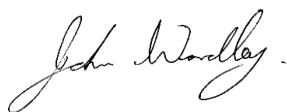
Analysis of Receipts and Payments

For Year ended 30 June 2023

	Unrestricted Funds June 2023 £	Restricted Funds June 2023 £	Total Funds June 2023 £	Last Year June 2022 £
Revenue Receipts				
Grants received for acquisition of fixed assets	0	0	0	0
Receipts from fundraising activities	24,725	0	24,725	14,389
Income from investments other than land & buildings	172	0	172	90
Rents from land & buildings	0	0	0	0
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	60	0	60	0
Total Revenue Receipts	24,956	0	24,956	14,479
Receipts from assets & investment sales				
Total Capital Receipts				
Total Receipts from all sources	24,956	0	24,956	14,479
Expenses for fundraising activities	9,380	0	9,380	4,733
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	432	0	432	1,860
Grants and donations	13,162	0	13,162	10,089
Total	22,974	0	22,974	16,681

Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2023

	Unrestricted Funds June 2023 £	Restricted Funds June 2023 £	Total Funds June 2023 £	Last Year June 2022 £
Cash Funds				
Cash & Bank Balances at Start of period				
HSBC Bank Current Account	1,571	0	1,571	1,458
HSBC Bank Event Account	0	0	0	915
PayPal Business Account	104	0	104	13
Santander Savings Account	1,395	0	1,395	2,395
Monmouthshire BS Savings Account	16,126	0	16,126	16,536
Cash Account	114	0	114	195
Deficit on receipts & payments account	19,310	0	19,310	21,512
Cash & Bank Balances at end of year				
HSBC Bank Current Account	1,170	0	1,170	1,571
HSBC Bank Event Account	0	0	0	0
Lloyds Bank Current Account	2,931	0	2,931	0
Lloyds Bank Savings Account	1,180	0	1,180	0
PayPal Business Account	36	0	36	104
Santander Savings Account	1,400	0	1,400	1,395
Monmouthshire BS Savings Account	14,290	0	14,290	16,126
Cash Account	284	0	284	114
Total	21,292	0	21,292	19,310
Liabilities				
	0	0	0	0



John Wardley
Honorary Treasurer

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 20th September 2023

**Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated
Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2023**

1 The nature and purpose of each fund

All funds are unrestricted and may be applied upon the purposes of the charity

2 Descriptions and details of grants made

Amount

Type of activity or project supported

Cancer Care & Health	2,251
Child Welfare	1,971
Community	4,644
Disabled	0
Elderly	780
International Appeals	1,500
National Charities	630
Youth	1,386

Total of grant made as shown in receipts & payments
summary

13,162

3 Statement that no remuneration was paid to a trustee or any person connected with them.

No remuneration was paid to any trustee or any person connected with them

4 Independent Examiner's Fees

No charge by Franks Accountants

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5 Management

In common with other Lions clubs, Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO) finances the running of the club via membership fees and the profit from members' entertainment events and does not use any charitable funds raised from the public to do so.

Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2023

	Unrestricted Funds June 2023 £	Restricted Funds June 2023 £	Total Funds June 2023 £	Last Year June 2022 £
Revenue Receipts				
Grants received for acquisition of fixed assets	0	0	0	0
Receipts from fundraising activities	24,725	0	24,725	14,389
Income from investments other than land & buildings	172	0	172	90
Rents from land & buildings	0	0	0	0
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	60	0	60	0
 Total Revenue Receipts	 24,956	 0	 24,956	 14,479
 Receipts from assets & investment sales				
 Total Capital Receipts				
 Total Receipts from all sources	 24,956	 0	 24,956	 14,479
 Expenses for fundraising activities	 9,380	 0	 9,380	 4,733
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	432	0	432	1,860
Grants and donations	13,162	0	13,162	10,089
Total	22,974	0	22,974	16,681
 Net Surplus	 1,982	 0	 1,982	 -2,203

Breakdown of Expenses 01/07/2022 to 30/06/2023

			<i>Receipts from same</i>
Cuddly Lion Stall	678	0	1,136
PayPal Cashback	0	0	30
Donations & Cashback	0	0	4,403
Dickensian Craft Fayre (2022)	408	0	815
Dickensian Craft Fayre (2023)	181	0	1,262
Dickensian Day (2022)	494	0	1,199
Dickensian Day (2023)	0	0	112
Drovers Marching Event	861	0	1,806
Drovers Book	3,409	0	5,141
Membership Fees 2022 - 2023	1,004	0	508
Membership Fees 2023 - 2024	0	0	360
Santa Sleigh 2023	60	0	0
Quiz Nights	111	0	989
Santa's Sleigh 2022	194	0	6,438
Senior Citizens' Concert	1,419	0	100
Tockwith Show (Flat Cap)	16	0	258
Wheelchairs	85	0	115
Club Costs	461	0	54
Total	9,380	0	24,725

Management and administration costs in support of charitable activities	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Last Year
General administrative expenses	June 2023	June 2023	June 2023	June 2022
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising Costs	432	0	432	1,253
Recruitment / retention Costs	0	0	0	45
Sundry Expenses	0	0	0	562
Corporate Clothing	0	0	0	0
Training	0	0	0	0
	432		432	1,860
Professional fees in support of charitable events				
CIO Administration	0	0	0	0
Total support costs	432	0	432	412
Grant making to achieve the objects of the society				
Grants paid including Gift Aid payments				
Grants paid as shown in the attached schedule	13,162	0	13,162	10,089

Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2022

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Last Year
	June 2023	June 2023	June 2023	June 2022
	£	£	£	£
A Detailed schedule of grants paid to achieve the objects of the charity				
Grants to institutions (Net)				
Cancer Care & Health	2,251	0	2,251	759
Child Welfare	1,971	0	1,971	200
Community	4,644	0	4,644	4,324
Disabled	0	0	0	0
Elderly	780	0	780	1,212
International Appeals	1,500	0	1,500	1,781
National Charities	630	0	630	30
Youth	1,386	0	1,386	1,783
Total institutional grants	13,162	0	13,162	10,089



INFORMATION - Corporate

Charity name

Wetherby District Lions Club Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

Charity Commission of England and Wales Registered charity number

1166656

Registered principle charity address

The Bridge Hotel & Spa
Walshford, Wetherby
LS22 5HS

Correspondence address

10 Grizedale Close
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Name of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Martin Doxey	Honorary Chair of Trustees
Ruth Holt	Honorary Vice-Chair of Trustees
Patricia Wadsworth	Honorary Secretary
John Wardley	Honorary Treasurer
Alan Creighton	Trustee
Ken MacKenzie	Trustee

Name and address of advisers and bankers

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Adam Franks	First Floor, Equinox 1 Audby Lane Wetherby LS22 7RD
Bankers	Name	Address
	HSBC	11 North Street Wetherby LS22 6NT
	Santander	1 Cambridge Road Harrogate HG1 1PB
	Monmouthshire Building Society	Monmouthshire House John Foster Square Newport NP20 1PX
	PayPal	Whittaker House 2 Whittaker Avenue Richmond TW9 1EH



AND FINALLY – ‘thank you’

The work of the charity simply wouldn't be possible without our supporters, partners, volunteers and fundraisers, and trustees want to say 'thank you'. However due to COVID-19, some events have had to be cancelled from July 2020 onward preventing the Club from continuing the excellent partnerships with the business community. We do hope that we can return to full 'normality' in the coming year and look forward to re-engaging with partners to support our events for the benefit of the local community.

They include organisations of:

BAE coffee shop	Hunters Estate Agents	San Angelo's
Bike Shack	HartLaw	Spice4You
Black Bull Pub	Kith & Kin	The Bridge Inn & Spa Hotel
Bright Ideas	Manning Stainton Estate Agents	The Pudding Lab
Caines Jewellers	Marslands Timber	The Rainflorist
Castlegarth Stationers	Morrisons	Timpsons
Franks Accountants	New Inn Pub	Touchwood
Furnish & Fettle	Optimum Vehicles	Wetherby Arts Festival
Handpicked Local	Printworks Ltd	Wetherby in Support of the Elderly

Individuals of:

Galan Moss

John Bell

Paul Froes

John Cuthbertson

John Leetch

Simon Moore

And to all our supporters who wish to remain anonymous.



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CIO Registration No. 1166656

Accounts



WETHERBY DISTRICT LIONS CLUB
(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Trustees Annual Report and Accounts
1st July 2021 to 30th June 2022



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WETHERBY DISTRICT LIONS CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION (CIO)

Trustees Annual Report for the Period 1st July 2021 to 30th June 2022

The trustees are pleased to present their annual report together with the consolidated financial statements for the twelve (12) months period ending 30th June 2022. This charity, 'Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO)', has operated as a 'Charitable Incorporated Organisation' in accordance with the Charity Commission guidance.

INTRODUCTION - Chair of Trustees

As lockdown started to ease, the light at the end of the tunnel seemed to shine a little bit brighter and Wetherby Lions started to climb out of hibernation. We continued to lend wheelchairs and assist the local Covid-19 Vaccination Clinic – and our relationship with those running it took an interesting turn as mentioned below.

Santa and his sleigh did manage to tour the neighbourhood, much to the delight of both parents and children, despite social distancing rules being observed as much as possible. The 'Dickensian Christmas Market and Craft Fayre' was reinstated and kind weather, together with a desire to return to normality by the public, ensured a record turn out with very positive comments about the Lions.

Although the 'Senior Citizens Christmas Party' could not go ahead in its regular January slot, it was re-scheduled for the end of April with the number of guests reduced to half that of previous years. However, as well as an excellent main dish of "Chicken Lionaisse" there was a surprise visit by some of the staff from the vaccination clinic who offered a jab to anyone who needed it and wished to avoid any possible queues - an offer gratefully accepted by a large number of visitors, Lion members and friends.

I am glad to say that "where there was a need, there was a Lion" continued to be demonstrated by the members. Amongst the grants scrutinised and approved by the committee we were able to reinstate financing a holiday at the Filey Lions caravan for two needy families. A discreet public request by a local well-wisher for contributions towards the cost of a second hand cooker for an elderly resident whose own was beyond economic repair was transformed into a new one being installed thanks to the Lions.

Face-to-face business meetings have now been reinstated and I am pleased to welcome three new members. Assuming we are able to continue to increase our activities in the community I look forward to seeing more.

As always, as Chair of Trustees, I thank all of my fellow trustees, officers of the club, members and their families for their support and commitment to both Lions and the wider community over a very challenging year. I am also pleased to say that this thanks has been repeated many times by members of the public and community leaders who have recognised the valuable contribution the Lions have

made during a very difficult period. It must be remembered that trustees and members are all unpaid volunteers, just ordinary people doing extraordinary things , being pleased 'to serve' the community.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tim Ritson', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Tim Ritson, Chair of Trustees

MISSION – Vision and Values

Wetherby District Lions Club is inspired by and bases itself on its Mission, Vision, and Values to set up the guiding principles of how it operates. We understand that our performance and behaviour are guided as much by the spirit of the mission, vision and values as by the definition of them.



To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.



To be the global leader in community and humanitarian service.



To be committed, credible, compassionate and caring.

Lions became an international organization after being founded in 1917 in Chicago. Since then, we've earned high marks for both integrity and transparency. We're a well-run organisation with a steady vision, a clear mission as stated above, together with a long – and proud – **history**.

VALUES – Our Core

Commitment to **SERVICE**

We are responsive to the needs of Lions. We seek to understand their priorities, values and needs, and to empower their service. We are committed to our shared goal of community and humanitarian service.

Dedication to **EXCELLENCE**

We are passionate about the causes Lions serve and the quality of our work. We go beyond what is expected, striving for excellence and continuous improvement in all we do.

Appreciation for **DIVERSITY**

We create and foster a spirit of understanding among the people of the world, knowing that diversity is our strength. We appreciate individual and cultural differences, and we embrace the experiences and talents of others because together we are more.

Dynamic **COLLABORATION**

We work as a team to improve the quality and relevance of our programs and initiatives. We welcome and encourage the participation of Lions, partners and colleagues, solving problems and meeting challenges together

Personal and Professional **INTEGRITY**

We promote and live by the principles of good citizenship. We are dependable, honest and trustworthy professionals who are accountable for our actions and their results.

Spirit of **INNOVATION**

We evolve to meet the changing needs of those we serve, embracing an environment of growth and creativity. We rigorously test and optimize ideas, and encourage the adoption of best practices globally.

STRUCTURE - Governance and Management

Charity's objects

- To raise and disburse charity and welfare funds according to the constitution of Lions Clubs International and the rules of the charity commissioners;
- To be involved in community activities and projects;
- To be active locally, nationally and internationally in respect of the aforementioned activities.

Type of governance document

Charitable Constitution.

Constitution of Charity

Charitable Incorporated Organisation - Association Model

Trustee selection methods

Elected by members of Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO).

Additional governance issues

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other benefit; they are responsible for the strategic development of the charity.

Training of trustees

Trustees' personal needs are evaluated and appropriate training given. Advantage is taken of complimentary governance seminars offered by local corporate organisations. The charity is also a member of the not-for-profit organisation 'Volunteer Action Leeds'. They offer a wide range of expertise and practical support for charitable organisations at minimal cost.

Charity's organisational structure

Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO) was registered with the Charity Commission on 21st April 2016 using their 'Association' model. The charity's members are members of Wetherby District Lions Club, which is part of the Lions Clubs International (LCI) organisation and operates according to a typical constitution of a Lions Club adapted to the local needs of the Club. A trustee appointment shall be made for a term of three years or in the event of a vacancy in the office of a nominated trustee prior to the expiration of his term of office, for such period as the trustee whose place s/he has filled would have continued in office. When new trustees are appointed they are given information about the role of a trustees and charity law in a 'Trustee Induction Pack'. Local training courses are arranged for incoming and existing trustees.

Wider networks

Being a member of LCI, Wetherby District Lions Club operates through their national and international organisation. In any case of international disaster relief and long-term recovery, this is managed

through the Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) which allocates grants and donations to Lions Clubs in the disaster zone, thus ensuring good governance and an auditable trail of funds.

Major risks and the system and procedures to manage them

LCI has a national structure in the UK and an international structure worldwide, headquartered in the USA; they provide advice, training and assistance in all aspects of fundraising and charitable activities. Nationally the organisation has office staff based in Birmingham to manage and support UK based members in their charitable pursuits.

ACHIEVEMENTS - and Performance

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The trustees shall hold the charitable fund and its income to apply them for any purpose which is charitable according to the law of England and Wales whether for the benefit of any individual or group of people or for the benefit of any other organisation established for charitable purposes, ('The Objects'), PROVIDED ALWAYS that the trustees shall not apply the charitable fund or any part thereof without first obtaining the approval, as defined in the Lions Club constitution, of the Lions Club at a Lions Club meeting. This is defined as a majority vote in favour, provided there is a quorum of members (50% of the Club's members).

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit

In accordance with the Charities Act 2006, Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO) is required to confirm that the activities it undertakes to achieve its objectives are all carried out for the public benefit as described by the Charity Commission. In shaping these objectives for the past twelve months trustees have attended as many community events as resources allowed.

Due to the restrictions caused by COVID-19, this year has seen the cancellation of our major fundraising events. Whilst fully complying with the COVID restrictions, the club was able to operate the annual Santa's sleigh rides in Wetherby and the neighbouring village of Linton bringing a great deal of good cheer to everyone and providing much needed income which was enhanced by further donations from the public.

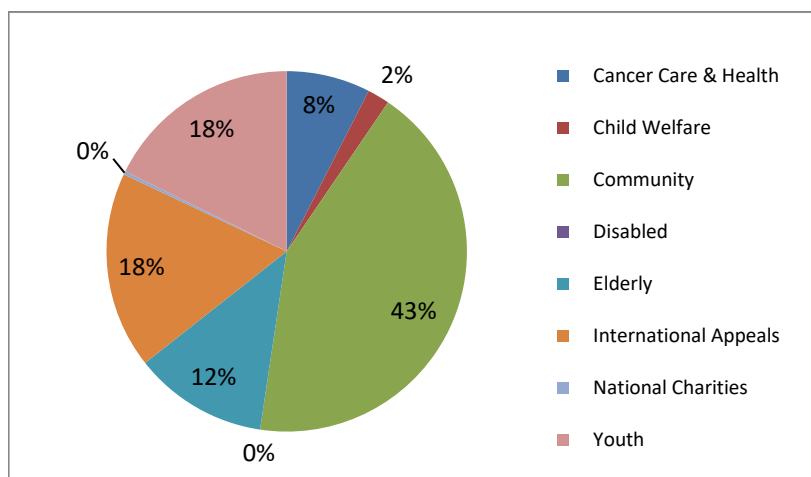
Additionally the following activities were able to go ahead:

- supporting several community activities including flower watering to assist the local 'Wetherby in Bloom' scheme;
- presenting our 'Cuddly Lion' tombola at local fetes;
- hosting a 'Thankyou Quiz Nite' in partnership with Morrisons Supermarket for the local business community;
- organising a Jubilee Pudding competition with students from Wetherby High School and a local 'Pudding Lab;;
- operating a 'free of charge' community wheelchair loan scheme;
- providing shelter and wheelchairs at the local COVID-19 Vaccination Hub together with car park marshalling.

Charitable funds that Club members have raised are disbursed to charities, groups and individual beneficiaries in the local, national and international community in accordance with the 'Grant Making Policy'. After due consideration by the Club's Grants & Community Service Committee, and agreed by a majority vote by Club members, they have donated grants to the following categories:

Cancer Care & Health;
Child Welfare;
Community;
Disabled;
Elderly;
International Appeals;
National Charities;
Youth.

Specifically grant donations were awarded to a number of health related charities: Young Live vs Cancer; Medic Alert, Motor Neurone Disease Association and Cash for Kids.



The Club has continued to target grants to the local community, donating to service organisations and active community groups (Wetherby Weir Preservation Society, Wetherby Arts Festival, Wetherby Foodbank, Wetherby District Angling Club, Wetherby Bandstand Trust) and local youth groups (boys and girls football and cricket clubs, Brownie and Scouts packs and primary schools). A specific project was for a 'trike' and associated shelter for young person with considerable disabilities. Similarly, support was given to local families suffering 'cost of living hardships'.

Also supported are Lions linked projects as: regional holiday schemes and elderly peoples festive meals and outing following the pandemic lockdown. Members gave service time and a grant to Wetherby in Bloom and a local youth enterprise scheme.

A number of national/international charities were assisted such as Royal British Legion; Heart Research UK and Lions International Foundation (LIF).

The ongoing war in Ukraine has created one of the greatest humanitarian crises of our time; significant support was given to the LIF international appeals.

Section D – Achievements and performance

The last twelve months has seen a continued reduction in the monies raised from the Club's annual events, due to the cancellation of these through the COVID-19 pandemic outbreak. The cancellation of the 'Great Yorkshire Bike Ride' and the associated loss of the income, has impacted significantly on the funding for many local and international charities as well as loss of support to the charity work of other Lions Clubs in the Yorkshire Region.

The charity continued to use 'online giving' as part of the portfolio with the use of 'JustGiving online facilities. This scheme, together with direct application to HMRC for fundraising activities, has enabled Gift Aid to be claimed which has increased fundraising efforts by £1,401.21

Additionally, the publicity and encouragement of our members and supporters to use our online shopping donation schemes 'Easyfundraising' and 'smile.amazon.co.uk' have also increased funds.

The Club continued to develop the website and social networking sites to publicise fundraising and charitable giving efforts. Commercial companies of Morrisons Supermarket, Manning Stainton Estate Agents and Franks Accountants have all provided support from their staff; indeed they have been a welcome resource attending at our community events.

Performance Review

During the year several detailed reviews of the charity's performance was undertaken to ensure the quality of delivery. Trustees used the 'Charity Governance Code' and the Charities Commission's 'Internal Financial Controls' documentation as a basis to undertake the reviews.




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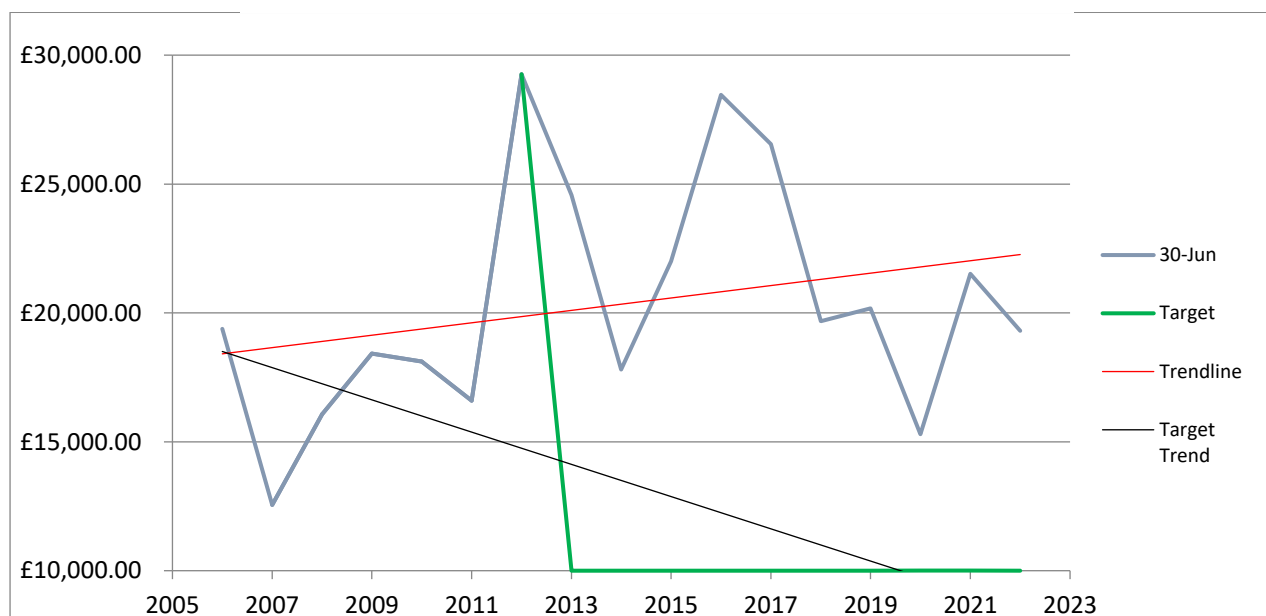
FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity's policy on reserves

The Club's policy on reserves is not to hold a specific reserve fund and to husband its resources so that the Club is able to respond to requests for assistance as appropriate. Should a request of significance be received, which cannot be met from immediate Club funds, members will apply for emergency funds from LCIF; Structure - Governance and Management – Wider Networks refers. There are no significant legal or infrastructure obligations in the event that the charity needed to close.

Trustees have been conscious of the significant year-end balances in the former charity trust over the past years and have again worked hard to reduce this level during the year and achieved a reduction; see chart below.

WDLC (CIO) Year End Balance



Trustees set an objective of holding a £10,000.00 year-end balance, this has not been achieved, however it is heading in the right direction of travel.

Recognising the above position, trustees have endeavoured to maximise the situation without adopting a high risk investment strategy and have continued with a savings account with the Monmouth Building Society. Whilst the income from this account is currently small with interest rates at 0.5% per annum, it does realise a small income on the £16,125.62 currently deposited in the account.

Risk management

The trustees have considered the risks affecting the charity and its activities as part of its planning process and have concluded that there is little to no exposure to direct financial risk as there are few specific liabilities to managing the Club, particularly on the closure of the charity. They have recognised however the economic downturn on charitable giving which has sharpened in the period

resulting in a lower funds being available to the Club; charitable grant giving has reduced accordingly and is expected to continue in the short term.

Trustees are constantly reviewing the skills of Trustees and regularly seek additional trustees from the organisation's members and community representatives and will continue to do so in the coming year.

THE YEAR AHEAD

The charity will continue to support the people of Wetherby and the surrounding area by helping individuals and organisations in time of need as the Club has done for the last 56 years.

Specifically trustees will:

- consider the impact of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic outbreak on the operation of the charity in respect of the fundraising activities and membership retention and recruitment;
- review, before the end of the 2022 calendar year, the events that have been staged in the period and those that had to be cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions and determine if these events should be repeated in the next financial year;
- continue to focus fundraising efforts within the local area and to incorporate conurbations outside of Wetherby; namely the town of Tadcaster and the villages of Boston Spa, Bardsey and Scarcroft;
- continue to manage events with a multi-disciplinary community team;
- strive to increase membership by an organised professional approach showing due diligence and transparency throughout the process; particularly addressing membership diversity including LGBT+ inclusion;
- develop further the use of social media to educate, inform and publicise the charity and its activities and ensure that all opportunities for the publicity and promotion of our services are maximised;
- continue our assessment of our charity against the ‘Charity Governance Code for Small Charities’, ensuring the high standards of governance which forms part of the principles and recommended practices are met;
- work towards diversity of the board of trustees and recruit new trustees with relevant skills and qualities.

WETHERBY LIONS



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TRUSTEE DECLARATION

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Annual Report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature:



Full name: Tim Ritson

Position: Chairman of Trustees

Date: 29/07/2022

WETHERBY DISTRICT LIONS
TOWNSPERSON OF THE YEAR
AWARD WINNERS

COLIN WARDMAN	1988
BILL GRAY	1989
JOHN TATTERTON	1990
JACK TAYLOR	1991
COLIN GADEN	1992
JOAN WILSON	1993
GEOFF YATES	1994
MICHAEL KAY	1995
MARGARET RICHES	1996
J SCRUTON & J WILLIAMS	1997
JOHN TAYLORSON	1998
PAT FOXTON	1999
MARGARET DABELL	2000
MARIE FOX	2001
J. MOOR & S. PICKER	2002
TED KILNER	2003
MARJORIE GOODWIN	2004
MARK BAKER	2005
JOYCE BALE	2006
GEOFF HUMBLE	07-08
STEVE KAY	2009
OLD MANS PARLIAMENT	2010
M. BENTHAM & L. NEWNHAM	2011
CLAIRE STUBBS	12-13
JOANNE MALTBY	14-15
DEAN BUCKLE	16-17
MARGARET DABELL	2018
ALAN DRINKALL MBE	2019
SIMON DONKIN	2020
NORMA HARRINGTON	2021



INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT



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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Wetherby District Lion Club Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Wetherby District Lion Club Charitable Incorporated Organisation

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Wetherby District Lion Club Charitable Incorporated Organisation (the Trust) for the year ended 30 June 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Adam Franks FCCA
For and on behalf of Franks Accountants Limited

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation

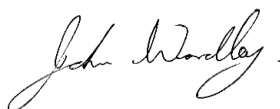
Analysis of Receipts and Payments

For Year ended 30 June 2022

	Unrestricted Funds June 2022 £	Restricted Funds June 2022 £	Total Funds June 2022 £	Last Year June 2021 £
Revenue Receipts				
Grants received for acquisition of fixed assets	0	0	0	0
Receipts from fundraising activities	14,389	0	14,389	17,243
Income from investments other than land & buildings	90	0	90	32
Rents from land & buildings	0	0	0	0
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	0	0	0	0
Total Revenue Receipts	14,479	0	14,479	17,276
Receipts from assets & investment sales				
Total Capital Receipts				
Total Receipts from all sources	14,479	0	14,479	17,276
Expenses for fundraising activities	4,733	0	4,733	1,509
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	1,860	0	1,860	412
Grants and donations	10,089	0	10,089	10,089
Total	16,681	0	16,681	12,010
Net Surplus	-2,203	0	-2,203	5,265

Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2022

	Unrestricted Funds June 2022 £	Restricted Funds June 2022 £	Total Funds June 2022 £	Last Year June 2021 £
Cash Funds				
Cash & Bank Balances at Start of period				
Bank Current Account	1,458	0	1,458	2,707
Bank Event Account	915	0	915	35
PayPal Business Account	13	0	0	0
Santander Savings Account	2,395	0	2,395	12,399
Monmouthshire BS Savings Account	16,536	0	16,536	0
Cash Account	195	0	195	159
Deficit on receipts & payments account	21,512	0	21,512	15,299
Cash & Bank Balances at end of year				
Bank Current Account	1,571	0	1,571	1,458
Bank Event Account	0	0	0	915
PayPal Business Account	104	0	104	13
Santander Savings Account	1,395	0	1,395	2,395
Monmouthshire BS Savings Account	16,126	0	16,126	16,536
Cash Account	114	0	114	195
Total	19,310	0	19,310	21,512
Liabilities				
	0	0	0	0



John Wardley

Honorary Treasurer

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 29th July 2022

**Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated
Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2022**

1 The nature and purpose of each fund

All funds are unrestricted and may be applied upon the purposes of the charity

2 Descriptions and details of grants made

Amount

Type of activity or project supported

Cancer Care & Health	759
Child Welfare	200
Community	4,324
Disabled	-
Elderly	1,212
International Appeals	1,781
National Charities	30
Youth	1,783
Total of grant made as shown in receipts & payments summary	10,089

3 Statement that no remuneration was paid to a trustee or any person connected with them.

No remuneration was paid to any trustee or any person connected with them

4 Independent Examiner's Fees

No charge by Franks Accountants 0

5 Management

In common with other Lions clubs, Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO) finances the running of the club via membership fees and the profit from members' entertainment events and does not use any charitable funds raised from the public to do so.

Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2022

	Unrestricted Funds June 2022 £	Restricted Funds June 2022 £	Total Funds June 2022 £	Last Year June 2021 £
Revenue Receipts				
Grants received for acquisition of fixed assets	0	0	0	0
Receipts from fundraising activities	14,389	0	14,389	17,243
Income from investments other than land & buildings	90	0	90	32
Rents from land & buildings	0	0	0	0
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	0	0	0	0
Total Revenue Receipts	14,479	0	14,479	17,276
Receipts from assets & investment sales				
Total Capital Receipts				
Total Receipts from all sources	14,479	0	14,479	17,276
Expenses for fundraising activities	4,733	0	4,733	1,509
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	1,860	0	1,860	412
Grants and donations	10,089	0	10,089	10,089
Total	16,681	0	16,681	12,010
Net Surplus	-2,203	0	-2,203	5,265

Breakdown of Expenses 01/07/2021 to 30/06/2022

			<i>Receipts from same</i>
Cuddly Lion Stall	493	0	617
Dickensian Day (2021)	1,1867	0	1,803
Donations	0	0	5,178
Dickensian Craft Fayre (2022)	35	0	675
Dickensian Day (2022)	0	0	50
Membership Fees 2021 - 2022	881	0	510
Membership Fees 2022 - 2023	0	0	210
Quiz Nights	110	0	692
Santa's Sleigh & Dickensian Day	364	0	4,395
Senior Citizens' Concert	1,638	0	15
Wheelchairs	25	0	53
Sundry Income	0	0	191
Total	4,733	0	14,389

**Management and administration costs in support
of charitable activities**
General administrative expenses

Fundraising Costs	1253	0	1,253	26
Recruitment / retention Costs	45	0	45	0
Sundry Expenses	562	0	562	386
Corporate Clothing	0	0	0	0
Training	0	0	0	0
	1,860	0	1,860	412

Professional fees in support of charitable events

CIO Administration	-	-	-	-
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Total support costs	1,860	-	1,860	412
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**Grant making to achieve the objects of the
society**

Grants paid including Gift Aid payments

Grants paid as shown in the attached schedule	10,089	-	10,089	9,141
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Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2022

Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Last Year
June 2022	June 2022	June 2022	June 2021
£	£	£	£

A Detailed schedule of grants paid to achieve the objects of the charity

Grants to institutions (Net)

Cancer Care & Health	759	0	759	2,182
Child Welfare	200	0	200	250
Community	4,324	0	4,324	4,720
Disabled	-	0	-	18
Elderly	1,212	0	1,212	250
International Appeals	1,781	0	1,781	1,000
National Charities	30	0	30	30
Youth	1,783	0	1,783	692
Total institutional grants	10,089	0	10,089	9,

Included above are payments made under Gift Aid

INFORMATION - Corporate

Charity name

Wetherby District Lions Club Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

Charity Commission of England and Wales Registered charity number

1166656

Registered principle charity address

The Bridge Hotel & Spa
Walshford, Wetherby
LS22 5HS

Correspondence address

10 Grizedale Close
Wetherby
LS22 6FQ

Name of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Tim Ritson	Honorary Chairman of Trustees
Martin Doxey	Honorary Secretary
John Wardley	Honorary Treasurer
Alan Creighton	Trustee
John Hubbard	Trustee
Ken MacKenzie	Trustee

Name and address of advisers and bankers

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Adam Franks	First Floor, Equinox 1 Audby Lane Wetherby LS22 7RD

Bankers	Name	Address
	HSBC	11 North Street Wetherby LS22 6NT
	Santander	1 Cambridge Road Harrogate HG1 1PB
	Monmouthshire Building Society	Monmouthshire House John Foster Square Newport NP20 1PX
	PayPal	Whittaker House 2 Whittaker Avenue Richmond TW9 1EH



AND FINALLY – ‘thank you’

The work of the charity simply wouldn't be possible without our supporters, partners, volunteers and fundraisers, and trustees want to say 'thank you'. However due to COVID-19, some events have had to be cancelled from July 2020 onward preventing the Club from continuing the excellent partnerships with the business community. We do hope that we can return to full 'normality' in the coming year and look forward to re-engaging with partners to support our events for the benefit of the local community

They include companies of:

BAE coffee shop	Hunters Estate Agents	San Angelo's
Bike Shack	HartLaw	Spice4You
Black Bull Pub	Kith&Kin	The Bridge Inn & Spa Hotel
Bright Ideas	Manning Stainton Estate Agents	The Pudding Lab
Caines Jewellers	Marslands Timber	The Rainflorist
Castlegarth Stationers	Morrisons	Timpsons
Franks Accountants	New Inn Pub	Touchwood
Furnish & Fettle	Optimum Vehicles	Wetherby Arts Festival
Handpicked Local	Printworks Ltd	

Individuals of:

Galan Moss

John Leetch

Simon Moore

John Cuthbertson

Paul Froes

Simon Donkin

And to all our supporters who wish to remain anonymous.



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CIO Registration No. 1166656

Accounts





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WETHERBY DISTRICT LIONS CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION (CIO)

Trustees Annual Report for the Period 1st July 2020 to 30th June 2021

The trustees are pleased to present their annual report together with the consolidated financial statements for the twelve (12) months period ending 30th June 2021. This charity, 'Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO)', has operated as a 'Charitable Incorporated Organisation' in accordance with the Charity Commission guidance.

INTRODUCTION - Chair of Trustees

"May you live in interesting times" is a Chinese curse which has been both applicable and inverted in the past year. COVID-19 restrictions continued and tightened during 2020/21 with the result that very little normal Lionistic activity could take place and the population locally and nationally suffered considerable hardship and tragedy. 'Lockdown' may have created boring times rather than interesting times but misery was never far away.

It was up to Wetherby Lion members to examine how they could contribute to helping the community endure and survive the pandemic. Led by the Town Council, the Lions joined forces with other local church and voluntary groups in creating a robust system to ensure support could be delivered to those most in need. Christmas festivities were virtually cancelled. Until a suitable vaccine could be developed the only options appeared to be 'lockdown' and continued isolation.

Although the Senior Citizens Christmas Party could not go ahead due to COVID-19 restrictions, 'Santa's sleigh' outings did still visit the neighbourhood in what proved to be a very successful and well received attempt to raise spirits over the less than festive season. In addition, as Santa was unable to visit local schools, Lion members organised video conference calls to allow pupils to see and talk to him. A competition preceded the event in which pupils were invited to name the reindeer towing the sleigh around Wetherby; the winning entries receiving prizes donated by supermarket Morrisons and local chocolates distributor, Bon Bons.

Once the COVID-19 vaccination serum became available, those Lion members who were able to volunteered their services at the local vaccination centre. Lion's gazebos were erected to provide shelter from the elements and wheelchairs loaned by ourselves were used to transport less mobile members from the car park to the clinic. Ultimately, nearly 14,000 vaccinations were given.

I am proud to say that "where there was a need, there was a Lion".

Requests for support from the Lions Club continue to be scrutinised by the designated committee and those community projects, apart from COVID-19 related, supported in the past year include assisting with the refurbishment of a local playground and planting trees as part of the climate change initiative.

General membership has remained stable with several members of the public expressing interest in joining Wetherby Lions. Unfortunately due to the enforced lack of activity their interest has waned but it is hoped that once 'lockdown' is eased we can commence an effective recruitment campaign



and they may return. Video conference meetings and quiz nights have been used to keep some members in touch and I look forward to starting normal face-to-face meetings involving all the membership in the not too distant future.

As always, as Chair of Trustees, I thank all of my fellow trustees, officers of the club, members and their families for their support and commitment to both Lions and the wider community over a very challenging year. I am also pleased to say that this thanks has been repeated many times by members of the public and community leaders who have recognised the valuable contribution the Lions have made during a very difficult period. . It must be remembered that trustees and members are all unpaid volunteers, just ordinary people doing extraordinary things, being pleased 'to serve' the community.



MISSION – Vision and Values

Wetherby District Lions Club is inspired by and bases itself on its Mission, Vision, and Values to set up the guiding principles of how it operates. We understand that our performance and behaviour are guided as much by the spirit of the mission, vision and values as by the definition of them.



To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.



To be the global leader in community and humanitarian service.



To be committed, credible, compassionate and caring.

Lions became an international organization after being founded in 1917 in Chicago. Since then, we've earned high marks for both integrity and transparency. We're a well-run organisation with a steady vision, a clear mission as stated above, together with a long – and proud – **history**.



VALUES – Our Core

Commitment to **SERVICE**

We are responsive to the needs of Lions. We seek to understand their priorities, values and needs, and to empower their service. We are committed to our shared goal of community and humanitarian service.

Dedication to **EXCELLENCE**

We are passionate about the causes Lions serve and the quality of our work. We go beyond what is expected, striving for excellence and continuous improvement in all we do.

Appreciation for **DIVERSITY**

We create and foster a spirit of understanding among the people of the world, knowing that diversity is our strength. We appreciate individual and cultural differences, and we embrace the experiences and talents of others because together we are more.

Dynamic **COLLABORATION**

We work as a team to improve the quality and relevance of our programs and initiatives. We welcome and encourage the participation of Lions, partners and colleagues, solving problems and meeting challenges together

Personal and Professional **INTEGRITY**

We promote and live by the principles of good citizenship. We are dependable, honest and trustworthy professionals who are accountable for our actions and their results.

Spirit of **INNOVATION**

We evolve to meet the changing needs of those we serve, embracing an environment of growth and creativity. We rigorously test and optimize ideas, and encourage the adoption of best practices globally.



STRUCTURE - Governance and Management

Charity's objects

- To raise and disburse charity and welfare funds according to the constitution of Lions Clubs International and the rules of the charity commissioners;
- To be involved in community activities and projects;
- To be active locally, nationally and internationally in respect of the aforementioned activities.

Type of governance document

Charitable Constitution.

Constitution of Charity

Charitable Incorporated Organisation - Association Model

Trustee selection methods

Elected by members of Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO).

Additional governance issues

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other benefit; they are responsible for the strategic development of the charity.

Training of trustees

Trustees' personal needs are evaluated and appropriate training given. Advantage is taken of complementary governance seminars offered by local corporate organisations. The charity is also a member of the not-for-profit organisation 'Volunteer Action Leeds'. They offer a wide range of expertise and practical support for charitable organisations at minimal cost.

Charity's organisational structure

Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO) was registered with the Charity Commission on 21st April 2016 using their 'Association' model. The charity's members are members of Wetherby District Lions Club, which is part of the Lions Clubs International (LCI) organisation and operates according to a typical constitution of a Lions Club adapted to the local needs of the Club. A trustee appointment shall be made for a term of three years or in the event of a vacancy in the office of a nominated trustee prior to the expiration of his term of office, for such period as the trustee whose place s/he has filled would have continued in office. When new trustees are appointed they are given information about the role of a trustees and charity law in a 'Trustee Induction Pack'. Local training courses are arranged for incoming and existing trustees.

Wider networks

Being a member of LCI, Wetherby District Lions Club operates through their national and international organisation. In any case of international disaster relief and long-term recovery, this is managed



through the Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) which allocates grants and donations to Lions Clubs in the disaster zone, thus ensuring good governance and an auditable trail of funds.

Major risks and the system and procedures to manage them

LCI has a national structure in the UK and an international structure worldwide, headquartered in the USA; they provide advice, training and assistance in all aspects of fundraising and charitable activities. Nationally the organisation has office staff based in Birmingham to manage and support UK based members in their charitable pursuits.



ACHIEVEMENTS - and Performance

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The trustees shall hold the charitable fund and its income to apply them for any purpose which is charitable according to the law of England and Wales whether for the benefit of any individual or group of people or for the benefit of any other organisation established for charitable purposes, ('The Objects'), PROVIDED ALWAYS that the trustees shall not apply the charitable fund or any part thereof without first obtaining the approval, as defined in the Lions Club constitution, of the Lions Club at a Lions Club meeting. This is defined as a majority vote in favour, provided there is a quorum of members (50% of the Club's members).

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit

In accordance with the Charities Act 2006, Wetherby District Lions Club (CIO) is required to confirm that the activities it undertakes to achieve its objectives are all carried out for the public benefit as described by the Charity Commission. In shaping these objectives for the past twelve months trustees have attended as many community events as resources allowed.

Due to the restrictions caused by COVID-19, this year has seen the cancellation of our major fundraising events. Whilst fully complying with the COVID restrictions, the club was able to operate the annual Santa's sleigh rides in Wetherby and the neighbouring village of Linton bringing a great deal of good cheer to everyone and providing much needed income which was enhanced by further donations from the public.

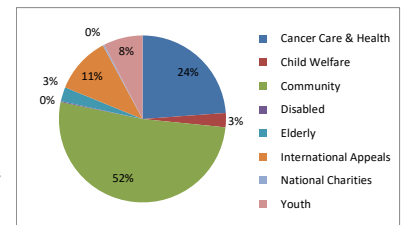
Additionally the following activities were able to go ahead:

- supporting several community activities including flower watering to assist the local 'Wetherby in Bloom' scheme;
- operating a 'free of charge' community wheelchair loan scheme;
- providing shelter and wheelchairs at the local COVID-19 Vaccination Hub together with car park marshalling.



Charitable funds that Club members have raised are disbursed to charities, groups and individual beneficiaries in the local, national and international community in accordance with the 'Grant Making Policy'. After due consideration by the Club's Grants & Community Service Committee, and agreed by a majority vote by Club members, they have donated grants to the following categories:

Cancer Care & Health;
Child Welfare;
Community;
Disabled;
Elderly;
International Appeals;
National Charities;
Youth.



Specifically grant donations were awarded to a number of health related charities:

Young Live vs Cancer; Medic

Alert and Cash for Kids. A sizeable donation was made to Yorkshire Air Ambulance making the total donated over the last decade to over £37,000.

The Club has continued to target grants to the local community, donating to service organisations and active community groups (Wetherby Weir Preservation Society, Wetherby Arts Festival, Salvation Army, Wetherby Foodbank, Deepdale Community Centre, Wetherby Bandstand Trust) and local youth groups (boys and girls football and cricket clubs, Brownie and Scouts packs and primary schools). A significant grant was made to local carers in the form of meal vouchers so that they could relax a while with or away from their loved ones during the COVID-19 crisis.

Also supported are Lions linked projects as: Yorkshire Flood Appeal, regional holiday schemes and elderly peoples festive meals. Members gave service time and a grant to Wetherby in Bloom and a local youth enterprise scheme.

A number of national/international charities were assisted such as Royal British Legion; Heart Research UK, Water Aid and Lions International Foundation.

Section D – Achievements and performance

The last twelve months has seen a reduction in the monies raised from the Club's annual events, due to the cancellation of these through the COVID-19 pandemic outbreak. The cancellation of the 'Great Yorkshire Bike Ride' and the associated loss of the income, has impacted significantly on the funding for many local and international charities as well as loss of support to the charity work of other Lions Clubs in the Yorkshire Region. However, this was off-set by a significant donation from Leeds City Council COVID-19 fund which we used to support Foodbank Hampers and meal voucher for family careers.

The charity continued to use 'online giving' as part of the portfolio with the use of 'Virgin Money Giving' online facilities. This scheme, together with direct application to HMRC for fundraising activities, has enabled Gift Aid to be claimed which has increased fundraising efforts by £873.01.



Additionally, the publicity and encouragement of our members and supporters to use our online shopping donation schemes 'Easyfundraising' and 'smile.amazon.co.uk' have also increased funds.

The Club continued to develop the website and social networking sites to publicise fundraising and charitable giving efforts. Commercial companies of Morrisons Supermarket, Manning Stainton Estate Agents and Franks Accountants have all provided support from their staff; indeed they have been a welcome resource attending at our community events.

[Performance Review](#)

During the year several detailed reviews of the charity's performance was undertaken to ensure the quality of delivery. Trustees used the 'Charity Governance Code' and the Charities Commission's 'Internal Financial Controls' documentation as a basis to undertake the reviews.



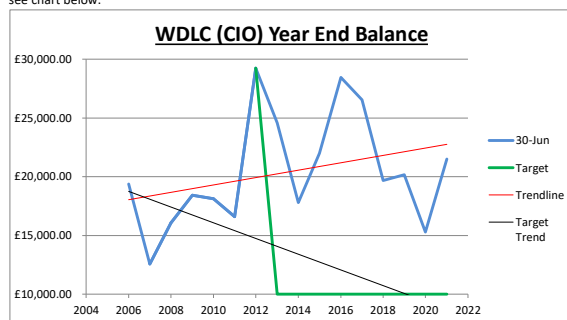


FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity's policy on reserves

The Club's policy on reserves is not to hold a specific reserve fund and to husband its resources so that the Club is able to respond to requests for assistance as appropriate. Should a request of significance be received, which cannot be met from immediate Club funds, members will apply for emergency funds from LCIF; Structure - Governance and Management – Wider Networks refers. There are no significant legal or infrastructure obligations in the event that the charity needed to close.

Trustees have been conscious of the significant year-end balances in the former charity trust over the past years and have again worked hard to reduce this level during the year and achieved a reduction; see chart below.



Trustees set an objective of holding a £10,000.00 year-end balance, this has not been achieved, however it is heading in the right direction of travel.

Recognising the above position, trustees have endeavoured to maximise the situation without adopting a high risk investment strategy and have continued with a savings account with the Monmouth Building Society. Whilst the income from this account is currently small with interest rates at 0.5% per annum, it does realise a small income on the £16,536.48 currently deposited in the account.

Risk management

The trustees have considered the risks affecting the charity and its activities as part of its planning process and have concluded that there is little to no exposure to direct financial risk as there are few specific liabilities to managing the Club, particularly on the closure of the charity. They have recognised however the economic downturn on charitable giving which has sharpened in the period



resulting in a lower funds being available to the Club; charitable grant giving has reduced accordingly and is expected to continue in the short term.

Trustees are constantly reviewing the skills of Trustees and regularly seek additional trustees from the organisation's members and community representatives and will continue to do so in the coming year.



THE YEAR AHEAD

The charity will continue to support the people of Wetherby and the surrounding area by helping individuals and organisations in time of need as the Club has done for the last 55 years.

Specifically trustees will:

- consider the impact of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic outbreak on the operation of the charity in respect of the fundraising activities and membership retention and recruitment;
- review, before the end of the 2021 calendar year, the events that have been staged in the period and those that had to be cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions and determine if these events should be repeated in the next financial year;
- continue to focus fundraising efforts within the local area and to incorporate contributions outside of Wetherby; namely the town of Tadcaster and the villages of Boston Spa, Bardsey and Scarcroft;
- continue to manage events with a multi-disciplinary community team;
- strive to increase membership by an organised professional approach showing due diligence and transparency throughout the process; particularly addressing membership diversity;
- develop further the use of social media to educate, inform and publicise the charity and its activities and ensure that all opportunities for the publicity and promotion of our services are maximised;
- continue our assessment of our charity against the 'Charity Governance Code for Small Charities', ensuring the high standards of governance which forms part of the principles and recommended practices are met;
- work towards diversity of the board of trustees and recruit new trustees with relevant skills and qualities.





TRUSTEE DECLARATION

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Annual Report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tim Ritson'.

Full name: Tim Ritson

Position: Chairman of Trustees

Date: 20/09/2021





INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT



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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Wetherby District Lion Club Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Wetherby District Lion Club Charitable Incorporated Organisation

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Wetherby District Lion Club Charitable Incorporated Organisation (the Trust) for the year ended 30 June 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Adam Franks FCCA

Date: 20/9/21

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation Analysis of Receipts and Payments For Year ended 30 June 2021

	Unrestricted Funds June 2021 £	Restricted Funds June 2021 £	Total Funds June 2021 £	Last Year June 2020 £
Revenue Receipts				
Grants received for acquisition of fixed assets	0	0	0	0
Receipts from fundraising activities	17,243	0	17,243	25,014
Income from investments other than land & buildings	32	0	32	83
Rents from land & buildings	0	0	0	0
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	0	0	0	0
Total Revenue Receipts	17,276	0	17,276	25,097
Receipts from assets & investment sales				
Total Capital Receipts				
Total Receipts from all sources	17,276	0	17,276	25,097
Expenses for fundraising activities	1,509	0	1,509	8,809
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	412	0	412	695
Grants and donations	9,141	0	9,141	20,465
Total	11,063	0	11,063	29,970
Net Surplus	6,213	0	6,213	-4,873



Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation Analysis of Receipts and Payments For Year ended 30 June 2021

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Cash Funds				
Cash & Bank Balances at Start of period				
Bank Current Account	2,707	0	2,707	8,272
Bank Event Account	35	0	35	910
PayPal Business Account	0	0	0	0
Santander Savings Account	12,399	0	12,399	10,816
Monmouthshire BS Savings Account	0	0	0	0
Cash Account	159	0	159	175
Deficit on receipts & payments account	15,299	0	15,299	20,173
Cash & Bank Balances at end of year				
Bank Current Account	1,458	0	1,458	2,707
Bank Event Account	915	0	915	35
PayPal Business Account	13	0	13	13
Santander Savings Account	2,395	0	2,395	12,399
Monmouthshire BS Savings Account	16,536	0	16,536	0
Cash Account	195	0	195	159
Total	21,512	0	21,512	15,299
Liabilities				
	0	0	0	0

John Wardley

John Wardley
Honorary Treasurer
Approved by the Board of Trustees on 9th July 2021



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Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2021

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Last Year
	June 2021	June 2021	June 2021	June 2020
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Receipts from fundraising activities				
Cuddly Lion Stall	0	0	0	522
Dickensian Day (2021)	880	0	880	354
Donations	12,041	0	12,041	2,648
Duck Race 2019	0	0	0	1,167
Easyfundraising	0	0	0	43
Great Yorkshire Bike Ride (2018)	0	0	0	558
Great Yorkshire Bike Ride (2019)	0	0	0	6,872
Great Yorkshire Bike Ride (2020)	0	0	0	361
Membership Fees 2019 - 2020	0	0	0	1,484
Membership Fees 2020 - 2021	574	0	574	396
Membership Fees 2021 - 2022	210	0	210	
Morrisons Bag Pack	0	0	0	1,037
Senior Citizens' Concert	0	0	0	
Santa's Sleigh & Dickensian Day	3,428	0	3,428	8,244
Senior Citizens' Concert	0	0	0	0
Tockwith Show (Flat Cap)	0	0	0	120
Wheelchairs	110	0	110	30
Total Receipts from fundraising activities	17,243	0	17,243	23,836
Payments				
Expenses for fundraising activities				
Cuddly Lion Stall	0	0	0	327
Dickensian Day (2021)	0	0	0	177
Donations	0	0	0	0
Duck Race 2019	0	0	0	409
Easyfundraising	0	0	0	0
Great Yorkshire Bike Ride (2018)	0	0	0	0
Great Yorkshire Bike Ride (2019)	0	0	0	0
Great Yorkshire Bike Ride (2020)	0	0	0	0
Membership Fees 2018 - 2019	0	0	0	5
Membership Fees 2019 - 2020	0	0	0	1,325
Membership Fees 2020 - 2021	1,120	0	1,120	0
Morrisons Bag Pack	0	0	0	0
Quiz Nights	0	0	0	523
Santa's Sleigh & Dickensian Day	144	0	144	4,034
Senior Citizens' Concert	0	0	0	1,777
Wheelchairs	245	0	245	230
Agent's costs for fundraising	1,509	0	1,509	8,810
Other expenses for fundraising activities	0	0	0	0.0
Total payments relating directly to charitable activities	1,509	0	1,509	8,810



Management and administration costs in support of charitable activities
General administrative expenses

Fundraising Costs	26	0	26	382
Recruitment / retention Costs	0	0	0	0
Sundry Expenses	386	0	386	327
Corporate Clothing	0	0	0	-15
Training	0	0	0	0
	412	0	412	695

Professional fees in support of charitable events

CIO Administration	0	0	0	0
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Total support costs	412	0	412	695
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Grant making to achieve the objects of the society

Grants paid including Gift Aid payments

Grants paid as shown in the attached schedule	9,141	0	9,141	20,465
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Wetherby District Lions Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Analysis of Receipts and Payments
For Year ended 30 June 2021

Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Last Year
June 2021	June 2021	June 2021	June 2020
£	£	£	£

A Detailed schedule of grants paid to achieve the objects of the charity

Grants to institutions (Net)

Cancer Care & Health	2,182	0	2,182	5,032
Child Welfare	250	0	250	2,100
Community	4,720	0	4,720	8,512
Disabled	18	0	18	180
Elderly	250	0	250	350
International Appeals	1,000	0	1,000	600
National Charities	30	0	30	230
Youth	692	0	692	3,461
Total institutional grants	9,141	0	9,141	20,465





INFORMATION - Corporate

Charity name

Wetherby District Lions Club Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

Charity Commission of England and Wales Registered charity number

1166656

Registered principle charity address

The Bridge Inn & Spa
Walshford, Wetherby
LS22 5HS

Correspondence address

10 Grizedale Close
Wetherby
LS22 6FQ

Name of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Tim Ritson	Honorary Chairman of Trustees
Martin Doxey	Honorary Secretary
John Wardley	Honorary Treasurer
Alan Creighton	Trustee
John Hubbard	Trustee
Ken MacKenzie	Trustee

Name and address of advisers and bankers

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Adam Franks	11 The Shambles Wetherby LS22 6NG
Bankers	Name	Address
	HSBC	11 North Street Wetherby LS22 6NT
	Santander	1 Cambridge Road Harrogate HG1 1PB
	Monmouthshire Building Society	Monmouthshire House John Foster Square Newport NP20 1PX
	PayPal	Whittaker House 2 Whittaker Avenue Richmond TW9 1EH





AND FINALLY – ‘thank you’

The work of the charity simply wouldn't be possible without our supporters, partners, volunteers and fundraisers, and trustees want to say 'thank you'. However due to COVID-19, all events have had to be cancelled from July 2020 onward preventing the Club from continuing the excellent partnerships with the business community. We do hope that we can return to some form of normality in the coming year and look forward to re-engaging with partners to support our events for the benefit of the local community

They include companies of:

Twenty Seven Gifts	Hartleys	Sports Telecom
Artisan Cheese	Hopkinson Dental	Stowe Family Law
Bardsey Tree services	Hunters Estate Agents	The Bridge
Bike Shack	ICC Group	The Mews
Bottle & Bean	Jeremy Wood	The Rainflorist
Bright Ideas	Kip McGrath	Thomlinsons
Caines Jewellers	Manning Stainton	Touchwood
Cameron Beaumont	Marslands Timber	True Personal Training
Days Inn	Morrisons	Ware & Kay
Decorating Centre	Moulds Accountants	Wetherby Arts Festival
Deep Blue	Olivia Grace	Wetherby Discount Feeds
Doodlebug	Optimum Vehicles	Wetherby Kitchens
Frances Liddle	Parkhill Vets	Wetherby Now
Franks Accountants	Pitstop Travel	Wetherby Skip Services
Furnish & Fettle	Printworks North	Wetherby Storage
Handelsbanken	Sandra Entertainer	Wetherby Whaler
Handpicked Local	Slimming World	Windsor Court Care Home
HartLaw	Sports Prestige & Classics	Yorkshire Classic Porsche

Individuals of:

Alan Corker	John Cuthertson	Simon Moore
Galan Moss	John Leetch	Paul Froes
John Bell	Martyn Tate	Simon Donkin

And to all our supporters who wish to remain anonymous.

