

Love Woburn Sands

Annual Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2021

Love Woburn Sands is a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) registered by the Charity Commission on 18 November 2016 with Registered Charity Number 1170260 registered at Companies House, reference CE009079.

The objectives of the Charity are:

For the public benefit and in accordance with Christian principles; the promotion of civic responsibility and the promotion of volunteering within Woburn Sands and neighbouring villages and the promotion of such other exclusively charitable purposes as the Trustees may from time to time determine.

This report covers our accounting period for the year ended 31 December 2021. Comparative figures are shown for our previous accounting period, 31 December 2020 to 31 December 2020.

The address for correspondence is

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The Charity has a website, www.lovewoburnsands.com

Governance

The Board of Trustees is the decision-making body of the Charity. We also have a Steering Group, which prepares recommendations to be presented to the Trustees. The Steering Group is chaired by Revd Chris Batten and includes leaders of the current and potential activities of the Charity.

The following Trustees served during this period;

Revd Christopher Batten

Keith Temple

Nicholas John Parkinson

Heather McBurnie (appointed 31 January 2022)

Anthony Tompkins (appointed 31 January 2022)

Geoffrey Charles Cooper (resigned 31 December 2021)

Gillian Brooke (resigned 31 December 2021)

Review of the Year, including Finance, Objectives and Achievements

During 2021 the Charity continued to promote the objectives of the works of the Community Smiles project begun in 2017 pursuant to the grant of £50,000 from the Big Lottery Fund. The aims of this project were;

- To extend similar work to the seven other villages and communities whose churches form part of Churches Together in Woburn; concentrating initially on Fulbrook Middle School and the five feeder Lower Schools within these communities.
- To involve schools with older residents, for their mutual benefit.
- To fulfil the community transport need.
- To explore possible development of a wider range of health, fitness & leisure facilities using Social Prescribing in conjunction with Social Services and the local GP practice.
- To explore the long-term sustainability of Love Woburn Sands as a project owned and supported by our local communities.

We are grateful for the voluntary donations received from the users of the Community Transport Service.

We are also very grateful for the funds raised at various events all of which have enabled us to continue our work and activities. We have been able to claim back Gift Aid tax reclaim of £0 this financial year(2020 : £4,382).

We thank all volunteers for their time and efforts without which the Charity would not function.

The accounts for the period, approved by the Trustees and examined independently, are being submitted to the Charity Commission and will be available on their website.

Total income was £6,093 comprising donations of £2,683 for general purposes and £3,410 for restricted purposes.

Expenditure totalled £7,791 and the closing balance was £12,621. Comparatives for the previous period are shown in the Charity's accounts annexed.

The Charity does not have future expenditure commitments and does not keep reserves to cover such commitments. Both the general account and the restricted Community Transport fund are completely reliant upon voluntary donations and fund raising.

We continue to recruit additional volunteers for our ongoing activities, several of which are largely self-funding; but Love Woburn sands will also be submitting funding proposals for one or more new projects.

Public Benefit Statement

The Trustees have reviewed documents PB1, PB2 and PB3 published by the Charity Commission and available at;

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/charitable-purposes-and-public-benefit>

and confirm that the activities of the Charity are all in keeping with the Charity's approved purposes set out above. When considering proposed new activities or changes to existing activities, the Trustees ensure that these activities will be carried out for the public benefit.

Approved by the Trustees on 19 October 2022 and signed.

Chairman

Report to the trustees/ members of Love Woburn Sands (Registered Charity Number 1170260)

On the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021, set out on Pages 4 and 5.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- ☐ examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- ☐ to follow the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, and
- ☐ to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or

the accounts did 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.

Signed

Stephanie Fitzpatrick-Corkin FCCA

Date 19 October 2022

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Receipts & Payments Account for the year ended 31 December 2021

1 This report and accounts are for the fifth accounting period to 31 December 2021. Love Woburn Sands was registered by the Charity Commission on 18 November 2016. The comparative figures are for the year ended 31 December 2020.

2 The trustees are very grateful for donations received during this period.

3 Fundraising events took place during the year, despite the difficulties presented by the Covid Pandemic.

4 Expenditure on Activities during the period comprised:

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Public Liability Insurance & other insurances	356	700	1,056
Event Publicity	200	0	200
Management costs	0		0
Fuel and maintenance of taxi		450	450
Central operating costs	726	5,359	6,085
Capital purchase : Community Taxi			0
Total	1,282	6,509	7,791

5 There is currently one Restricted Fund, the Community Transport fund.