

Trustees' Annual Report for the period						
	Period start date			Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
From	01	07	2020	To	30	06 2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Alton Lions Club (CIO)

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1174502

Charity's principal address 4 Bennet Close

Alton

Hampshire

Postcode

GU34 2EL

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Atul Patel	President		
2	Michael Baker	Treasurer		
3	Bretta Rains	Secretary		
4	Moiria Baker			
5	Robert Barber			
6	Sarah O'Donoghue			
7	Paul Taroni			
8	Michael Gwynne			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

CIO Association Constitution

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

Trust

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Volunteer vetting and voting (election)

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;

Club Policies:

The Club has written policies covering nine topics and these are contained in Section 3 of the Club Manual which is issued to each club member. In addition, the Grant making policy can be found on the Club website. (www.altonlions.org.uk)

The policy topics are: -

- Finance
- Child Protection and Vulnerable Persons
- Risk Management
- Grant Making
- Complaints
- Volunteers
- Conflict of Interest
- Data Protection
- Fund Raising Standards

- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Trustees took cognisance of the national and local government Covid-19 regulations and included these in risk appraisals where appropriate and amended event instructions and practices accordingly.

Section C

Objectives and activities

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

The objects of the club are such purposes as are exclusively charitable in England & Wales, including in particular:

1. The advancement of citizenship.
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.
3. Promoting volunteering.
4. The relief of poverty and the relief of those in need in particular by providing humanitarian aid and disaster relief.
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.
6. Promoting for the benefit of the public the conservation protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment.
7. Promoting community participation in healthy recreation.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit however it should be noted that the community is still coping with the aftermath of the first COVID lockdown. This included mandatory measures brought in, restricting social activities, a short lockdown and in the new year a full-scale lockdown. These restrictions have resulted in cancellation or curtailment of many events within our normal programme of activities. In addition, it has caused changes to our ways of working with the introduction of new initiatives, technology and new partnerships.

In the coming year the trustees are planning to build on these new initiatives, technologies, partnerships, and experiences to evolve the programme of activities to meet the new challenges facing the community.

1. Citizenship: The trustees had to abandon the Lions Clubs International 'Young Leaders in Service' project but have been able to continue sponsorship of a sports scholarship through the Alton College Foundation for Excellence, has been selected for a hockey scholarship.

2. Promoting the Voluntary sector: The club has continued to work with Alton Town Council and other groups in the administration of the Alton & District Community Resilience Fund and has been able to support other charitable organisations in our service events and has awarded 8 grants to local voluntary charities.

The club has completed its local radio and Facebook community fun quiz.

3. Promoting Volunteering: Two new members have been recruited and the club has promoted volunteering by encouraging people to help in the planning of future events.

4 Relief of Poverty: The Club found new ways of operating in order that the help provided to people, families and local institutions in fuel poverty or need at Christmas could continue.

Since the Corona Virus lockdown the club has continued to support members of the local community with food vouchers and has worked with other organisations to provide laptop computers for young people and to support the Alton & District Community Resilience Fund.

5 Advancement of Health: These activities have been curtailed by the Covid restrictions but when opportunities have arisen the club has promoted 'Message in a Bottle' 'SpekTrek', Prostate Cancer, Brain Tumours in Children and Diabetes.

6 Environment: The club has provided Junior School level illustrated books to raise awareness to pollution issues and are planning a second Lions Bench in a local park.

7 Healthy Recreation: All our usual sporting events were cancelled this year although sponsorship of a sports scholarship at the local college has continued.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

Whilst several events were not organised due to the Covid-19 pandemic and associated regulations a few events were managed and these included substantial effort from regular supporters and volunteers.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grant making;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

This year (July 2020 -June 2021) started with the community still coping with aftermath of the first COVID lockdown. This included mandatory measures being brought in, restricting social activities, a short lockdown and in the new year another full-scale lockdown. These restrictions have resulted in cancellation or curtailment of many events within our normal programme of activities. In addition, it has also caused changes to our ways of working with the introduction of new initiatives, new technology and new partnerships. In the coming year the trustees are planning to build on these new initiatives, technologies, partnerships, and experiences to evolve the programme of activities to meet the new challenges facing our community.

1. Citizenship – Some projects abandoned but hope for the future

This has been somewhat difficult this year and we have been unable to run the Young Leaders In Service projects as a result of the COVID closure of Alton College and local secondary schools. However, the trustees are planning to pursue an opportunity for a Leo's club during the next year. In addition, many of the (restricted) activities conducted this year have demonstrated our commitment to promoting good citizenship.

2. Voluntary Sector – Events Cancelled but grants still provided to local voluntary charities

Sadly, the Party in the Park, Golf Day, 10M Road Race and Downland Challenge all had to be cancelled for this year and maybe a bit longer. However, these events will be re-instated as soon as conditions allow. However, through our new initiatives Alton Lions Club has been able to support local voluntary groups with much needed funds including, The Kings Arms, Homestart, Bushy Leaze, Christians Against Poverty, Alton REHAB, Alton Community Centre, Treloar's and Re-Engage.



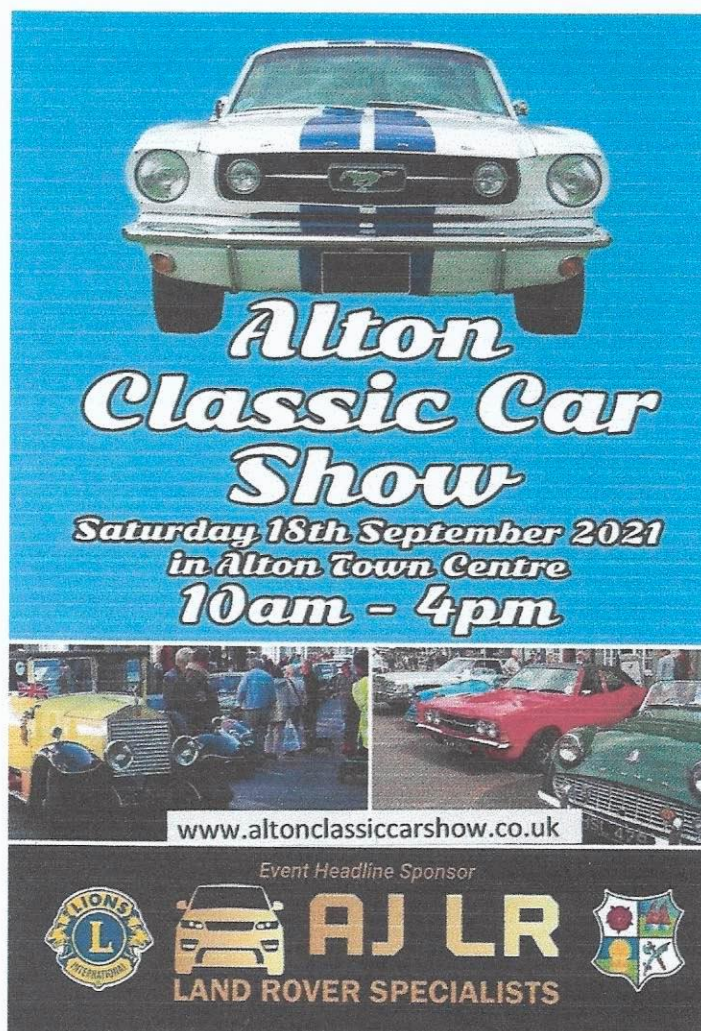
Bushy Leaze Receiving its Grant

3. Volunteering – Two new members recruited, and new events being planned

Although it has been difficult this year the club has managed to recruit two new members, a significant achievement and confirmation that people do want to 'give something back.'

When circumstance have allowed, the usually monthly craft market was held and as the 'crafters' pitch fees are used to support our charitable donations it provided welcome revenue. Thankfully the local community continued to support the market when it was held making it a worthwhile event for our crafters.

As the lockdown is eased through the second half of 2021 it is planned to re-instate the event programme and to take on a very active role in organising the Alton Classic Car Show. As with the existing events we will be encouraging more volunteers to participate in making these events a success.



Alton Classic Car Show Flyer



Alton Lions Craft Market

4. Relief of Poverty – New approaches help to continue the good work.

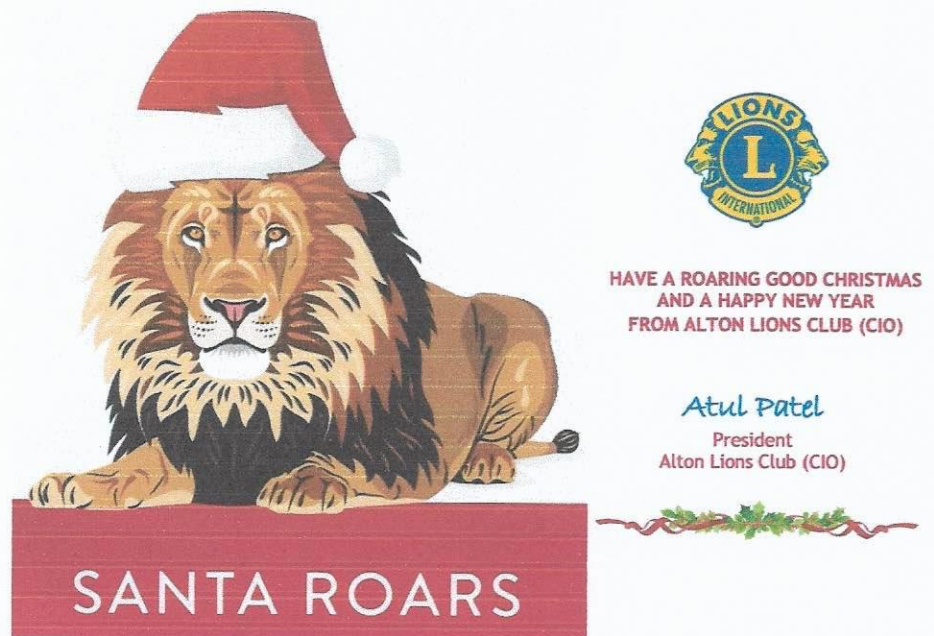
This year saw Alton Lions Club take a new approach to its annual door to door Christmas Collection by delivering a Christmas Postcard through every door instead. The card wished everyone a Merry Christmas and also asked for donations to be made by cheque or an internet transfer to the Lions bank account or a donation through PayPal Giving or a text donation. This approach ensured that the club could achieve gifts, vouchers and to help those in need to enjoy some Christmas cheer. Donations went to over 100 people, families, and local charitable institutions.

The club also worked with the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families Association (SSAFA) to support the re-housing of a disabled serviceman.

The club ran its Wenceslas Winter Fuel Project with the Alton Herald and Citizens Advice (CA) to help people who found themselves in fuel poverty through the winter months.

A new type of poverty visited some families as a result of schools being closed during the lockdowns and as home schooling became the norm. The issue was access to laptop computers especially for those households with more than one child and parents working from home. Alton Lions managed a project collecting laptops no longer required, arranging software cleaning, and updating and redistributing to schools with families in need. The project which processed over 100 laptops was supported by the Alton and District Community Resilience Fund (ADCRF).

The ADCRF was established initially by Alton Town Council (ATC) and Alton Lions and was designed to help people who found themselves in difficulties as a result of the Covid pandemic and is administered by representatives from ATC, Alton Lions, local churches, and CA. Funds were provided by local organisations and Alton Lions organised a Wey Valley Radio /Facebook quiz through the various lockdown periods and donations made by participants were forwarded to the ADCRF.



Christmas Appeal Card



Laptops For Schools

5. Advancement of health – Curtailment of events but awareness maintained

Under the current COVID circumstances it has not been possible to organise our annual Prostate test and awareness day, but trustees are planning to hold the event later in 2021 as conditions open up. However, we have been able to raise awareness to Prostate Cancer, Diabetes, Brain Tumour in Children together with our continuing Message in a Bottle and Spectacle recycling (Spektrek) at our Craft Markets when they were held.

The club is also planning for the installation of fourth defibrillator in the town which will this time include a bleed kit.

6. Conservation and Improvement

The Trustees are planning to become part of the Alton Climate Action Network (ACAN) to help further the club's local environmental objects a select the local projects that the club can pursue either on our own or together with other interested groups.

The club provided illustrated books to each of 15 infant, junior and primary schools in Alton and the surrounding villages, including Treloar's (a school for physically disabled children), each with an environmental message to be followed by story-telling sessions held at appropriate events.

The club also provides volunteers at various litter pick sessions held in the town, organised by The Alton Society and ACAN.

The 'Lions Bench' installed on The Butts for the Lions Centenary Year has been a great success and the trustees are planning to install another similar bench in Anstey Park.

7. Healthy Recreation - Races on hold but the Sports Scholarship carries on

Although it has not been possible to organise the 10mile Road Race or the Dove Challenge Cross Country Race this year they are being planned to start again in 2012. In addition, we have continued to provide a Sports Scholarship through the Alton College Foundation For Excellence and our current student is following a career in sport and exercise science with hockey as his chosen sport. This year he has achieved four A levels and will be going to Swansea University and will continue his training with one of the Welsh Hockey squads.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The club has a 'Contingency Account' that is designed as a risk mitigation fund to cover events managed through the 'Activities Account' and has been established to cover unforeseen circumstances or emergencies.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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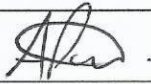

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	ANIL PATEL	NOIRA BAKER
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	PRESIDENT	VICE PRESIDENT
Date	11.11.21	



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01.07.2020

To

Period end date
30.06.2021

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
ADCRF Activities	-	2,124	-	2,124	-
Appeals	-	418	-	418	673
Classic Car Show	-	595	-	595	721
Community Donations	3,236	-	-	3,236	2,450
Craft Market	2,747	-	-	2,747	3,070
Easter Eggstravaganza	-	865	-	865	744
Gift Aid	2,817	-	-	2,817	3,373
Golf Day	-	1,450	-	1,450	3,045
House to House	-	6,153	-	6,153	3,674
Party in the park	-	45	-	45	299
Races	1,500	-	-	1,500	3,500
Recruiting	-	-	-	-	667
Transfers In	47	1,750	-	1,797	2,163
Winter Fuel Fund	-	5,170	-	5,170	5,520
Administration					
Subscriptions	2,944	2,201	-	5,145	5,223
Supporters					
Supporter Payments	-	1,076	-	1,076	1,195
Interest	-	0	-	0	2
Newbury (Contingency)	-	28	-	28	10,261
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	13,291	21,875	-	35,166	46,580
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	13,291	21,875	-	35,166	46,580

A3 Payments

ADCRF	-	2,124	-	2,124	-
Christmas Gifts	-	4,001	-	4,001	3,638
Community Donations	2,022	-	-	2,022	2,523
Community Projects	-	-	-	-	44
Contact The Elderly	-	-	-	-	71
Easteregstavanza	-	118	-	118	897
Golf Day	-	60	-	60	2,742
Individuals in Need	2,065	-	-	2,065	240
Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)	-	418	-	418	500
Local Charities	4,952	-	-	4,952	6,606
Lions National Projects	-	-	-	-	1,150
Markets	515	-	-	515	893
MMPRA	133	-	-	133	365
Other	67	-	-	67	493
Party in the Park	-	-	-	-	864
Prostate Testing	-	-	-	-	822
Re-engage	-	142	-	142	-
Supporter Projects	-	-	-	-	1,500
Transfers to Other A/c	-	-	-	-	10,000
Winter Fuel Payments	-	2,013	-	2,013	3,397
Administration					
Members Dues	-	2,201	-	2,201	2,794
Other	1,577	-	-	1,577	70
Refunds	1,427	-	-	1,427	643
Social	-	-	-	-	631
Transfers to Other A/c	-	-	-	-	240
Supporters					
Supporter Prizes	-	290	-	290	275
Transfers to Activities	-	750	-	750	750
Newbury (Contingency)	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	12,758	12,117	-	24,875	42,148

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)

	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments	12,758	12,117	-	24,875	42,148
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Net of receipts/(payments)	533	9,758	-	10,291	4,432
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A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
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A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
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Cash funds this year end	533	9,758	-	10,291	4,432
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Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	ACTIVITIES	11,084	27,677	-
	ADMINISTRATION <i>5011</i>	4,496	465	-
	SUPPORTERS		998	-
	NEWBURY	-	12,401	-
	Total cash funds	15,580	41,541	-
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	MOIRA BAKER	11.11.21
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

ALTON LIONS CLUB (CIO)

On accounts for the year
ended

30TH JUNE 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1174502

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 30/06/2021

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

14/10/2021

Name:

John Christopher Geering

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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