

Trustees' Annual Report for the period								
From		Period start date			To		Period end date	
		01	07	2024			30	06

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	GILLINGHAM, MERE & SHAFTESBURY LIONS CLUB		
Other names charity is known by	GMS LIONS		
Registered charity number (if any)	1176099		
Charity's principal address	27 Briar Close		
	Gillingham		
	Dorset		
	Postcode	SP8 4SS	

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	Lynne Gray	President		
2	Janet Davies	Secretary		
3	Paul Smith	Treasurer		
4	Denise Stenner			
5	Brian Anderson			
6	Andrew Snell			
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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;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Club Policies:
The Club has written policies covering a number of topics and these are annexed to the Club By-Laws.
The policy topics are:

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

Willingness to act as a Trustee.

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 BY. WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY;
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

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)

<p>SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION TO IMPROVE THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE OF PEOPLE IN LOCAL, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITIES.</p> <p>3. PROMOTING VOLUNTEERING.</p> <p>4. THE RELIEF OF POVERTY AND THE RELIEF OF THOSE IN NEED IN PARTICULAR BY PROVIDING HUMANITARIAN AID AND DISASTER RELIEF.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>6. PROMOTING FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC THE CONSERVATION PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PHYSICAL AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT.</p> <p>7. PROMOTING COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN HEALTHY RECREATION.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Citizenship: The trustees have maintained the projects covering Lions Clubs International 'Young leaders in Service (YLIS)', and the support for youth organisations. 2. Promoting the Voluntary Sector: The development of relationships with local authorities, agencies and other charitable organisations has continued and the fund raising and community service activities have been maintained. This is aimed at co-operation at service events and to enable grants to other charities and individuals. 3. Promoting Volunteering: Recruitment of new members, supporters and volunteers has continued with new members being attracted. 4. Relief of Poverty: This has been mainly achieved though individual hardship grants. 5. Advancement of Health: This has been achieved mainly through the 'Message in a Bottle' projects as well as fund raising and donations to Lions international programmes for water and sight. The club has continued with its support for local amenity programmes in the local area. 6. Healthy Recreation: The club has continued in its support to other organisations by providing marshals for outdoor events where requested.
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Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

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

The club provides support in the form of marshals to the local agricultural show and other outdoor events such as half-marathons, which promotes healthy outdoor activities and appreciation of the local community.

Section D	Achievements and performance
<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide financial support to local Lions clubs in countries where aid is required. 2. Taking part in and laying Royal British Legion Poppy Wreaths. 3. Holding fundraising events and provide financial support for both the Wiltshire and Somerset & Dorset Air Ambulances. 4. Provision of equipment to a local Carer Support. 5. Provide financial contribution to Julia’s House charity. 6. Provide financial support to Rendezvous, a local teenage/young persons mental health and wellbeing group. 7. Provide financial support to local youth clubs. 8. Contribute to Children with Cancer appeal and Childhood Cancer. 9. Provide financial support to for local hospice care. 10. Providing ‘Father Christmas’ for families to visit in Gillingham, Mere, Shaftesbury, throughout December. 11. Provide financial support to Hipp!!Bones – a targeted youth club for young people with special needs. 12. Provide financial support to Mosaic, a local child bereavement charity. 13. Support for local Carnival clubs. 14. Provision of Message in a Bottle to local surgeries and pharmacies.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Club maintains a Deposit account reserve which is managed through the Charity and/or Fund-Raising accounts to mitigate against unforeseen circumstances and emergency grants.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

NIL

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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



- 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)	Denise Patricia Stenner	Paul Smith
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Welfare Chairman	Treasurer
Date	25/01/2026	





Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/07/2023	To	Period end date 30/06/2024
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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					
Fund Raising Activities	-	-	-	-	4,166
Donations	1,250	-	-	1,250	-
Race Night	2,788	-	-	2,788	-
HMRC Tax refund	1,022	-	-	1,022	-
Xmas Collection	3,508	-	-	3,508	-
Raffles	415	-	-	415	-
Quizes	2,741	-	-	2,741	-
Interest	72	-	-	72	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Administration					4,285
Subscriptions	1,337	-	-	1,337	-
Insurance	105	-	-	105	-
Social	-	-	-	-	-
Donations	65	-	-	65	-
Tail Twister fines	223	-	-	223	-
Charter 2024	1,984	-	-	1,984	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	15,510	-	-	15,510	8,451
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	15,510	-	-	15,510	8,451
A3 Payments					
Community Services	-	-	-	-	5,552
LCIF	-	-	-	-	-
International Aid	-	-	-	-	-
Youth Support	568	-	-	568	-
National Charities	1,632	-	-	1,632	-
Local Charities and Personal Grants	9,089	-	-	9,089	-
Fund Raising equipment and expenses	3,187	-	-	3,187	-
Insurance	105	-	-	105	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Administration	-	-	-	-	4,498
Members dues and expenses	1,852	-	-	1,852	-
Hall Rent	462	-	-	462	-
Charter 2024 and socials	2,055	-	-	2,055	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	18,950	-	-	18,950	10,050
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	18,950	-	-	18,950	10,050
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 3,440	-	-	- 3,440	- 1,599
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	12,466	-	-	12,466	-
Cash funds this year end	9,026	-	-	9,026	- 1,599

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	5,911		-
	Administration	3,115	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	9,026	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			Paul Smith	25/01/2026
			Denise Stenner	25/01/2026