

ROTHWELL COMMUNITY LIBRARY TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1178745

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2018-06-13

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

Address Rothwell Library
Market Hill
Rothwell
Kettering
Northamptonshire
NN14 6EP

Phone 01536710493

Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE RESIDENTS OF ROTHWELL AND SURROUNDING AREA OR COMMUNITIES THE PROVISION OF A PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR RECREATION AND OR OTHERLEISURE TIME OCCUPATION OF INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE NEED OF SUCH FACILITIES BY REASON OF THEIR YOUTH, AGE, INFIRMITY OR DISABLEMENT, FINANCIAL HARDSHIP OR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES OR FOR THE PUBLIC AT LARGE IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITION OF LIFE OF THE SAID RESIDENTS.

Activities: The objects of the CIO are to promote for the benefit of the residents of Rothwell and surrounding area or communities the provision of a public library for recreation and or other leisure time occupation of individuals and the public at large who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social or economic circumstances.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Disability, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Northamptonshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£17,927	£6,006	-	-
2024-03-31	£8,265	£6,424	-	-
2023-03-31	£3,887	£2,034	-	-
2022-03-31	£0	£379	-	-
2021-03-31	£3,120	£69	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Christine Gordon-Smith		2022-08-06
Chrys Vere		2024-04-18
Dennis Leonard Lloyd		2024-04-18
Linda Ann Ray		2024-04-18
VICTORIA KATHRYN MARSHALL BELL		2018-04-18

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/04/2024 (Period start date) To 31/03/2025 (Period end date)

Charity name: Rothwell Community Library Trust

Charity registration number: 1178745

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity, as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote, for the benefit of the residents of Rothwell and surrounding area, the provision of a public library space. This to be used for recreation and other leisure time occupation by individuals and the general public who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity disablement, financial hardship or social/economic circumstances.

<p>Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit. In particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.</p>	<p>Para 1.17 and 1.19</p>	<p>Through the dedicated support, of around 35 volunteers, the following activities take place meeting the following identified purposes:</p> <p>Provision of a public library</p> <p>A full adult and children's book lending service including a "click and collect" service during opening hours. A dedicated children's library area including a range of toys. Access to computer terminals Help with bus pass and blue badge application</p> <p>Activities and facilities for young people Weekly Rhyme Time, Stay and Play under 5s and Story Time sessions. A weekly session for parents/carers with children who are home educated. Regular craft and child focussed activities in school holidays. A very active participation in the summer reading challenge. A RCLT volunteer visits all local participating schools providing an introduction to the scheme, ahead of the annual launch.</p> <p>Activities and facilities for adults Several games groups who meet to compete at Scrabble, chess and complete Jigsaws. Weekly Ancestry Group. Weekly Craft group Weekly dementia support group meeting. Access to computers/ quiet spaces for reading/ study/ revision. Monthly coffee mornings with home made cheese scones and cakes. Local beaders and crafters also have an evening meeting and, amongst other activities, help to produce knitted poppies and 'toppers' which decorate the town for specific occasions. Regular craft fairs take place during the year. The library is a named dedicated warm space during winter months with additional drinks and food available. However, tea, coffee, biscuits and other snacks are available all year round. Help with bus pass and blue badge applications/renewals. Various day and evening fund raising events from fashion shows to book events and talks.</p> <p>Outreach</p>
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Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees confirm that that they are aware of the guidance and have taken it into account when considering the range of activities offered by the Trust. All of activities undertaken are to meet the charitable purposes of the Trust and benefit the community of Rothwell and the local area.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	No grants are made by the Trust
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The library is staffed, and run, entirely by volunteers. In addition, the volunteers undertake fund raising activities and, along with the Trustees, seek to secure grants.
Other		The lease for the building has been taken over from the local council by the Creating Tomorrow Multi Academy Trust which operates several SEN schools in the area. Pupils from the schools visit the library on certain days each week and undertake supervised work connected with the library and upcoming events.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>RCLT has continued to ensure that the library has remained open throughout the year but this has only been possible by the continued support of the volunteers. Funding was, again, secured from the local County Council for the library to be a designated warm space during the colder months. The footfall has increased during the year, for the second year running, up by 6% with active membership of the library up by 2%. However, it is important to remember that the library acts as a community space for a range of activities and therefore any increase in use, by looking at footfall, is a better measure of how well the charity is fulfilling its aims. 2 pieces of feedback received recently highlight the positive impact the library has on the local community:</p> <p>Thanks from a son whose father, a local resident, recently passed away, just after reaching 100. His father had been a daily visitor enjoying working on jigsaws and chatting to other visitors. To quote from the letter 'Dad loved meeting people and the sense of community he experienced at the library was incredible. Thank you for providing this comradeship and friendship throughout the latter stages of Dad's life'</p> <p>Secondly, a heartfelt 'thank you' from a lady and her husband who were very appreciative for the the additional guidance provided in completing a blue badge application.</p> <p>This year, help with blue badge applications has increased by 229%. All renewals are now treated as 'fresh' applications and the evidence required has become more complex, which has meant that more people have requested help. Assisting with an application can take up to 2 hours but it remains a vital help for many of our local residents.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
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Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The total funds of RCLT, as at the 31 March 2025, were just under £21,000 - with £18,974 held in the CAF bank and just over £2,000 in the original account opened with a local Building Society.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We have set a low reserve of £2,000 which will be retained in the RCLT account held with the local BS - see above. Only a low reserve is necessary because, as RCLT is not the leaseholder or responsible for any utility charges, then the Charity does not have any ongoing day to day liabilities . There are no employees so the £2,000 will be there just as a cushion in case of donations/grant shortfalls - to allow the children's holiday activities to continue. These are the only activities that require funding. All the other activities are either self-funding or covered by grants.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£2,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46eq	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continued involvement of the Academy Trust, as leaseholder of the library building and providing additional support. If the Academy withdraw from the partnership then it would be unlikely that the Library could remain open. 2. Retaining sufficient numbers of Volunteers - both to carry out the role of Trustees and to be the 'workforce' in running the library.

Other		
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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO Foundation Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more	Para 1.25	Apart from the initial Trustees, the appointment for Trustees is for four years or less. Trustees are selected based on their interest, skills and knowledge - required for the effective administration of RCLT.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	RCLT have an agreed Trustee induction pack.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	There were 6 current Trustees at the beginning of the year. Two trustees resigned during the year and three new trustees were appointed. There remains a mix of Trustees, who are also active volunteers in the library and those who are not. This mix continues to ensure that there is a balance giving a 'line of sight' across the Volunteer activities together with a 'challenge' element from those not directly involved in the running of the library. This increases the robustness of the Trustees Governance ability. Separately, there is a Volunteer Committee which undertakes the organisation of the volunteers and is responsible for dealing with the induction of new volunteers including completion of the necessary DRB checks and GDPR training.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	As mentioned under 'Objectives and Activities', a local Academy Trust formally took over the lease of the library building from the County Council when the Community Library was set up. The RCLT volunteers are still responsible for the running of the library and the local activities but the partnership with the Academy Trust has ensured that the library has a secure longer term future. The Academy is using the library to give work experience for some of its students which are supervised by an Academy employee.

Other		
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Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Rothwell Community Library Trust
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1178745
Charity's principal address	Market Hill Rothwell Northamptonshire NN14 6EP

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	Kate Ley	Chair	01/04/2024 - 05/01/2025	
2	Maureen Hill		01/04/2024 - 05/01/2025	
3	Mark West			
4	Victoria Bell	Chair		
5	Christine Gordon-Smith	Treasurer		
6	Dawn Young			
7	Lin Ray		18/04/2024 - 31/03/2025	
8	Chrys Vere		18/04/2024 - 31/03/2025	
9	Dennis Lloyd		18/04/2024 - 31/03/2025	

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name		Dates acted if not for whole year	
None			

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

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

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

Victoria Bell	Christine Gordon-Smith
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Position (eg
Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair	Treasurer
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Date

3/07/2025

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Year ended 31 March 2025

	Balance brought forward as at 1 April 2024		£7,053.81
Plus	Unrestricted receipts		
	EON credits	£1,444.43	
	Interest received	£30.00	
	Insurance reimbursed (NNC)	£282.72	
	Event receipts	£2,125.24	
	Donations	£1,873.07	
	Friends of Rothwell Library	£11,000.00	
	Payment rectification	£279.00	
		£17,034.46	
	Restricted receipts		
	Warm Space (WS) -NNC	£2,000.00	
		£2,000.00	
		£19,034.46	£19,034.46
			£26,088.27
Less	Unrestricted expenses		
	Monthly bank fees	£60.00	
	Window cleaner	£360.00	
	Printing costs	£200.00	
	Gardening costs	£506.49	
	Insurance cost	£448.94	
	Event expenses	£589.66	
	Children activities	£410.09	
	Non capital equipment	£832.35	
	Buffet expenses	£155.00	
	Twinkl subscription	£119.88	
	Incorrect payment	£279.00	
		£3,961.41	
	Restricted expenses		
	WS - various	£3,152.66	
		£3,152.66	
		£7,114.07	£7,114.07
	Balance carried forward as at 31 March 2025		£18,974.24

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Charity name: Rothwell Community Library Trust

Charity registration number: 1178745

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote, for the benefit of the residents of Rothwell and surrounding area, the provision of a public library space. This to be used for recreation and other leisure time occupation of individuals and the general public who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social or economic circumstances.

Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit. In particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.

Para 1.17 and 1.19

Through the dedicated support, of around 30 volunteers, the following activities take place to meet the following identified purposes:

Provision of a public library

A full book lending service including a “click and collect” service during opening hours.

Access to computer terminals

Help with bus pass and blue badge applications.

Activities and facilities for young people

A children’s library area which includes a range of toys. Weekly Rhyme Time, Story Time and parent and under 5 year old sessions. In addition there is a weekly session for parents and children who are home educated. Regular craft and child focussed activities in school holidays. A very active participation in the summer reading challenge with a RCLT volunteer providing an introduction to the scheme which is rolled out to local primary schools ahead of the annual launch.

Adult activities and facilities for adults

Active Scrabble club, daily group completing the large number of jigsaws available. A monthly coffee morning is held with home made cheese scones and cakes. The library hosts a weekly dementia group meeting. Local beaders and crafters have evening meetings and amongst other activities help to produce knitted poppies and ‘toppers’ which decorate the town for specific occasions. Regular craft fares take place during the year. The library is a named dedicated warm space during winter months with additional drinks and food available. However, tea, coffee, biscuits and other snacks are available all year round.

Outreach

Visits from Council representative, Mental Health outreach worker and Citizen’s Advice Bureau – with access via pre-booked

Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees confirm that that they are aware of the guidance and have taken it into account when considering the range of activities offered by the Trust. All of activities undertaken are there to meet the charitable purposes of the Trust to benefit the community of Rothwell and the local area.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	No grants are made by the Trust
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The library is staffed, and run, entirely by volunteers. In addition, the volunteers undertake fund raising activities and, along with the Trustees, seek to secure grants.
Other		The lease for the building has been taken over from the local council by the Creating Tomorrow Multi Academy Trust which operates several SEN schools in the area. Pupils from the schools visit the library on certain days each week and undertake supervised work connected with the library and upcoming events.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	RCLT has continued to ensure that the library has remained open throughout the year allowing free access to book lending. During the year additional activities have started including a Saturday morning 'Story Time' session for younger children and carers. Funding was again secured from the County Council to enable the library to be a designated warm space during the colder months. A grant was obtained from Rothwell Town Council for the purchase of a shed allowing for the storage of 'event chairs' and freeing up space for the increasing number of child entered activities. The footfall has again increased during the year - up by 9% to 18,123 visits. This was matched by the increase in active users during the year - up by 8%. An important service provided at the library - help with completing applications and renewals for bus passes and blue badges - also increased and remains a vital help for those residents who cannot access the technology required at home and/or have difficulty in understanding how to do this.

Additional information (optional)

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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The total funds of RCLT, as at the 31 March 2024 were just under £20,000 - with £7,054 held in the RCLT account with the CAF bank and the balance in the original account opened with a local Building Society. With the addition of a card reader at the library, and the CAF bank introducing the facility for cash deposits, the need for an active local BS account has decreased. Shortly after the year end the majority of the BS funds were transferred into the CAF account. A smaller balance was retained in the BS - see below.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We have set a low reserve of £2,000 which will be retained in the RCLT account held with the local BS. Only a low reserve is necessary because, as RCLT is not the leaseholder or responsible for any utility charges, then the Charity does not have any ongoing day to day liabilities . There are no employees so the £2,000 will be there just as a cushion in case of donations/grant shortfalls - to allow the children's holiday activities to continue. These are the only activities that require funding. All the other activities are either self-funding or covered by grants.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£2,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

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A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO Foundation Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more	Para 1.25	Apart from the initial Trustees, the appointment for Trustees is for four years or less. Trustees are selected based on their interest, skills and knowledge - required for the effective administration of RCLT.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	RCLT have an agreed Trustee induction pack.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	There were 7 current Trustees at the beginning of the year. Two trustees resigned during the year and three new trustees were appointed shortly after the year end. There remains a mix of Trustees who are also active volunteers in the library and those who are not. This mix continues to ensure that there is a balance giving a 'line of sight' across the Volunteer activities together with a 'challenge' element from those not directly involved in the running of the library. This increases the robustness of the Trustees Governance ability. Separately, there is a Volunteer Committee which undertakes the organisation of the volunteers and is responsible for dealing with the induction of new volunteers including completion of the necessary DRB checks and GDPR training.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	As mentioned under 'Objectives and Activities', during the year a local Academy Trust formally took over the lease of the library building from the County Council. The RCLT volunteers are still responsible for the running of the library and the local activities but the partnership with the Academy Trust has ensured that the library has a secure longer term future. The Academy is using the library to give work experience for some of its students which are supervised by an Academy employee.

Other		
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Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Rothwell Community Library Trust
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1178745
Charity's principal address	Market Hill Rothwell Northamptonshire NN14 6EP

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	Kate Ley	Chair		
2	Linda Crossey	Secretary	01/4/23 - 21/02/2024	
3	Maureen Hill			
4	Mark West			
5	Victoria Bell			
6	Ann Relf		01/04/23 - 31/12/24	
7	Christine Gordon-Smith	Treasurer	All year	
		Temporary Secretary	21/02/23 - 31/03/24	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name		Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

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

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Kate Ley	
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Full name(s)

Kate Ley	
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair	
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Date

27th June 2024

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Year ended 31 March 2024

	Balance brought forward as at 1 April 2023		£5,212.23
Plus	Unrestricted receipts		
	EON credits	£2,497.01	
	Interest received	£9.08	
	Insurance reimbursed (NNC)	£282.72	
	Event receipts	£471.31	
	Donations	£1,505.41	£4,765.53
	Restricted receipts		
	Rothwell Town Council (RTC)	£1,000.00	
	Co-Op Dementia group donation	£500.00	
	Warm Space (WS) -NNC	£2,000.00	£3,500.00
		£8,265.53	£8,265.53
Less	Unrestricted expenses		
	Monthly bank fees	£60.00	
	Gardening costs	£410.00	
	Insurance cost	£282.72	
	Film night expenses	£540.00	
	Children activities	£658.45	
	Non capital equipment	£643.98	
	Dementia group expenses	£218.69	
	Craft, misc expenses	£475.38	£3,289.22
	Restricted expenses		
	RTC - shed	£929.30	
	WS - various	£555.43	
	ANPR -various	£1,150.00	
	Co-Op - for Dementia group	£500.00	£3,134.73
		£6,423.95	£6,423.95
	Balance carried forward as at 31 March 2024		£7,053.81

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Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>Through the dedicated support, of around 30 volunteers, the following activities take place to meet the following purposes:</p> <p>Provision of a public library A full book lending service including a “click and collect” service during our opening hours. Help with bus pass and blue badge applications Access to computer terminals</p> <p>Activities and facilities for young people Childrens library area which includes a range of newly acquired toys. Weekly Ryme Time and under 5 sessions along with weekly session for parents and children who are home educated. Regular craft and child focussed activities in school holidays. A very active participation in the summer reading challenge with a volunteer introduction to the scheme rolled out to local schools ahead of the annual launch.</p> <p>Adult activities and facilities for adults Scrabble club, regular jigsaw completers, dementia group meetings, film nights, monthly coffee mornings, meeting point for local beaders. Dedicated warm space during winter months with additional drinks and food available but tea, coffee and other snacks available all year round.</p> <p>Outreach Visits from CAB, Council representative, Mental Health outreach worker – with access via prebooked appointments.</p>

Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees confirm that that they are aware of the guidance and have taken it into account when considering the range of activities offered by the Trust. All of these are there to meet the charitable purpose of the Trust to benefit the community of Rothwell and the local area.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	No grants are made by the Trust
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The volunteers are the only reason that the Trust was able to be set up in the first place – which then secured the future of Rothwell Community Library. Currently, the library is staffed, and run, entirely run by volunteers. In addition, the volunteers undertake fund raising activities and, along with the Trustees, seek to secure grants.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	

<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>RCLT has ensured that the library has remained open throughout the year allowing free access to book lending to all in Rothwell and the local area. In addition, a wider range of activities and facilities have been offered to support the needs of the local community. The footfall has steadily increased throughout the year, to a current monthly average of 1450, confirming how important access to the library is. One area where it performs an important role is in supporting those who need help with the technology needed to access online forms, help with applications etc. There are many residents who cannot access the technology required at home and/or have difficulty in understanding how to do this. RCLT volunteers provide a vital source of help.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Investment performance against objectives</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Other</p>		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	In total, the funds of RCLT, as at the 31 March 2023, were £15,935 - allocated £5,212 to RCLT account held with the CAF bank and £10,723 held in the historic Friends of RCLT account with the MHBS.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We have set a low reserve of £2,000 because RCLT is not responsible for meeting any regular outgoings. RCLT is not the leaseholder or responsible for any utility charges. There are no employees so the £2,000 will be there just as a cushion in case of funding drying up to allow the children holiday activities to continue - the only activities that require funding. All other activities are either self-funding or covered by grants.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£2,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO Foundation Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Apart from the initial Trustees, the appointment for Trustees is for four years or less. Trustees are selected based on their interest, skills and knowledge - required for the effective administration of RCLT.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	RCLT have an agreed Trustee induction pack.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	There are 7 current Trustees, of which 4 are also active volunteers who help run the library. The other 3 Trustees are not volunteers which means there is a good balance and 'challenge' element to the required governance responsibility. There is a Friends Committee which undertake the organisation of the volunteers and are responsible for dealing with the induction of new volunteers including completion of the necessary DRB checks and GDPR training. Going forward, post 31 March 2023, there will be closer working with a local Academy Trust (a Charitable Company) who are taking over the lease of the library building, from the local council. Children and young adults. from the schools and a college, run by the Academy will use the library building for work experience opportunities.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Rothwell Community Library Trust
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Other name the charity uses	Friends of Rothwell Library
Registered charity number	1178745
Charity's principal address	Market Hill Rothwell Northamptonshire NN14 6EP

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	Kate Ley	Chair		
2	Linda Crossey	Secretary		
3	Maureen Hill			
4	Mark West	Treasurer (part year)		
5	Victoria Bell			
6	Ann Relf			
7	Christine Gordon-Smith	Treasurer (part year)	July 2022 onwards	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

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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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)		
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		
Date		



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Charity Name Rothwell Community Library Trust	No (if any) 1178745
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 4/1/2022	To	Period end date 3/31/2023
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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					
Donation	500	-	-	500	-
Interest received	4	-	-	4	-
Other	283	-	-	283	-
RTC grant	-	1,000	-	1,000	-
NNC grant	-	950	-	950	-
ANPR grant	-	1,150	-	1,150	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	787	3,100	-	3,887	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	787	3,100	-	3,887	-
A3 Payments					
Bank fees	73	-	-	73	-
Insurance	283	-	-	283	-
Other	79	-	-	79	-
Computer	-	1,000	-	1,000	-
Warm space	-	599	-	599	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	435	1,599	-	2,034	379
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	435	1,599	-	2,034	379
Net of receipts/(payments)	352	1,501	-	1,853	379
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	3,359	-	-	3,359	-
Cash funds this year end	3,711	1,501	-	5,212	379

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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	3,711	1,501	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

ROTHWELL COMMUNITY LIBRARY TRUST

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	4/1/2021	To	3/31/2022
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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 £
A1 Receipts				
	-	-	-	-
Initial Deposit	-	-	-	-
RTC grant	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	-	-	-	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-
A3 Payments				
	-	-	-	-
Account fees	379	-	-	379
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	379	-	-	379
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	379	-	-	379
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 379	-	-	- 379
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	3,738	-	-	3,738
Cash funds this year end	3,359	-	-	3,359

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash balance	3,359	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total cash funds	3,359	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-
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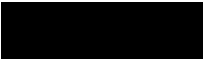
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	4/1/2020	To	3/31/2021
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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 £
A1 Receipts				
	-	-	-	-
Initial Deposit	-	-	-	-
RTC grant	3,120	-	-	3,120
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	3,120	-	-	3,120
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	3,120	-	-	3,120
A3 Payments				
	-	-	-	-
Account fees	69	-	-	69
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	69	-	-	69
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	69	-	-	69
Net of receipts/(payments)	3,051	-	-	3,051
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	687	-	-	687
Cash funds this year end	3,738	-	-	3,738

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash balance	3,738	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total cash funds	3,738	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-
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