

Trustees Annual Report

Objectives

The aim of the Llandeilo Literature Festival is to advance the arts, culture, and heritage for public benefit. We achieve this primarily through the organisation of an annual literature festival in Llandeilo, though our remit is not limited to this activity alone.

In pursuing this objective, the charity aims to:

- Promote Welsh and local authors.
- Showcase literature in both the Welsh and English languages, including poetry, storytelling, and diverse forms of writing.
- Celebrate and preserve the richness of Welsh culture and its literary heritage.

Summary

The 2025 festival spanned three days, taking place across multiple venues with both daytime and evening events. In total, we hosted 60 individual sessions, in addition to a school's outreach day held several weeks prior to the main festival.

We were proud to receive grant funding of £7550 and generous sponsorship from local businesses totalling over £5000. Ticket sales after processing fees reached over £11,000.

Our programme featured a wide range of topics relevant to Wales, with contributions from prominent environmentalists, journalists, politicians, and social advocates. Sessions also explored Welsh history, art, crafts, and contemporary culture.

The popular "Kids Fest at the Lit Fest" was held at Yr Hen Farchnad, featuring free activities and children's author talks significantly increasing public interest and attendance from 2024. Storytelling and live music recitals throughout the town further enriched the festival atmosphere.

The charity also established a new partnership with Pride Llandeilo to deliver "Pride @ Lit Fest," a curated programme of LGBTQ+ talks and events, reflecting the charity's commitment to inclusivity and representation.

Achievements

Feedback from both visitors and local businesses was overwhelmingly positive. Our evaluation forms showed high satisfaction across the board, with top ratings given for venue quality, speaker calibre, value for money, overall experience, and marketing.

The festival is more than just an entertainment event; it has become a cultural and educational cornerstone for the region. It fosters community spirit, promotes inclusivity, combats social isolation, and stimulates the local economy—offering meaningful benefits to residents of Llandeilo and across southwest Wales.



Annual Accounts

From

6/1/2024

Income in	This year £	Last year £
Sponsorship	5,364.00	3,500.00
Grants	7,550.00	4,000.00
Ticket Sales	11,241.90	10,268.91
Donations	395.30	40.00
Insurance Refund		179.00
Fundraising	5,633.54	
Miscellaneous	423.58	
Income after year end	100.00	
Totals	30,708.32	17,987.91
Expenditure Out	£	£
Insurance	586.75	480.00
Marketing	9,093.99	3,366.12
Materials	616.50	573.68
Author Expenses	17,001.94	11,297.00
Venue Hire	0.00	1,737.80
Translation & Technical	1,574.60	378.00
Ticket Refunds	60.63	0.00
Cash (Float)		670.00
Pride Donation		450.00
Fundraising	1,365.06	
Miscellaneous	423.58	0.00
Expenditure after year end	1,266.70	
Totals	31,989.75	18,952.60
Surplus or deficit for the year	-114.73	
Surplus or deficit for the event	-1,281.43	(964.69)
Balances brought forward	Cash	£0.00
	Bank	£6,594.14
Balances in hand	£5,312.71	£6,594.14
Assests and liabilities	£0.00	£0.00

Prepared by:
Amanda Crofts

Signature
A. Crofts

To

5/31/2025

and date:

7/25/2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name:
Llandeilo Lit Fest

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 May 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1179120

Set out on pages

1 and 2

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

**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 Trust'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.

Signed: *R.M. Davies*

Date: 02/09/2025

Name: Rhian Môn Davies FCA

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

ICAEW

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Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

N/A



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Signature and date:
A. Crofts 25/07/2025