



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date 01/01/2023.

Period end date 31/12/2023

Charity name: National Liturgical Dance Network UK

Charity registration number: 1182829

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To advance the Christian religion, for the benefit of the public through the ministry of various art forms, the holding of events, prayer meetings, lectures, public celebration of religious festivals to enlighten others of the Christian faith.
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>The main and most time-consuming activity for the year has been hosting our first international conference since the pandemic. This was significant as during the preparation we were in the midst of the steep rise in the cost of living. Significant fundraising activities were initiated to provide opportunities for the public to attend, particularly young people and the unemployed. As a result of the conference our website was updated with various training materials available for the public benefit.</p> <p>The conference was well received by all who had participated receiving outstanding feedback.</p> <p>Annual calendar free liturgical events have continued in person all over the country where all network regions worked together in celebrating Easter, Pentecost and the Advent season, all resulting in enlightening others of the Christian faith using the creative arts. Significant attempts have been made to work with various groups in the community in presenting these programmes.</p> <p>In person rehearsals has now fully resumed with the additional Zoom sessions which provides the opportunity for those in</p>

		<p>more remote areas to participate and have the opportunity to take part in all the events held around the county.</p> <p>NLDNUK training continues to be successful, and some of these programmes are led by those who had graduated earlier. New members to this organisation are encouraged to participate which we feel equips members to work with the public. P.U.S.H 1 (Praise Until Something Happens) resumed this year and those who completed all 3 PUSH programmes graduated at the International Worship and the arts conference this year.</p> <p>We continue to invest in the young people around the country providing opportunities for them to meet in person and via Zoom to rehearse and socialise. This resulting in being invited to minister in dance at a special racial equality event at a well-known City Cathedral.</p> <p>All regions have continued to be more involved in local activities in person supporting these events presenting the message of hope through dance and other creative arts. We are encouraged that the public are now more comfortable attending these public events after the pandemic.</p> <p>The working party continues to be instrumental as it consists of members from various groups within the network. They assist in reviewing policies, planning significant events and any projects that are considered appropriate for public benefit.</p> <p>A Core leaders' team continues to assist in managing this expanding charity, working closely with the working party</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>Trustees have continued to appreciate and utilise guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. This has assisted in ensuring we are fulfilling our aims and objectives</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
		N/A

Policy on grant making.	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment.	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers.	Para 1.38	<p>Our volunteers have made significant contributions this past year, particularly since we are now fully meeting in person for all planned events. All have been instrumental in organising and managing all of our events throughout the year.</p> <p>We are not in a position to employ staff, so we rely heavily on our volunteers.</p>
Other		

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>NLDNUK has been consistent throughout the year in connecting and supporting members across the country and internationally to strengthen believers and enlighten others of the Christian faith meeting in person using technology where available.</p> <p>Each region has become more proactive and all meetings, rehearsals, conferences, prayer meetings, art and craft have taken place in person, but we are still arranging some events online for those unable to meet in person. This option continues to be a source of strength not only to members but to the public at large as we utilise technology available to meet whilst at their home.</p> <p>An increasing number of members have been directly involved in working with the homeless which has included sharing the Christian faith via using creative arts such as flags ministry as well as providing meals.</p>

		<p>Members have also been invited to share the Christian faith in Care homes for the elderly at the same time teaching and sharing the many worship tools which can be used.</p> <p>Members currently on the PUSH 2 programme has started a dance ministry for young children in her local community and at the same time devising a protocol to assist other members from various regions to do the same.</p> <p>We continue to see an increase in membership from the local community as a result of in person and online events.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>The calendar has always been set at the beginning of the year to include significant liturgical events as well as training and rehearsals around the country.</p> <p>The core leaders meet on a regular basis to ensure objectives are met. These are shared during our AGM.</p>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>Fundraising continues to be a challenge. However, this year we received significant donations from mainly faith based organisations to assist in funding young people to attend the conference as well as the unemployed.</p>
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	In reviewing our financial position at the end of this financial period, it is clear that the major expenses have been funding the conference and extremely pleased we have been in a position to cover all expenses.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
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	None

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	Donations and goodwill offering
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risk facing the charity	Para 1.46	None at present.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The NLDNUK 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	Every Trustee must be a NLDNUK member and committed to supporting the objectives of this charity.

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	A training plan has been established for all Trustees to complete. This is reviewed regularly. All encouraged to take advantage of various training available.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	As well as the trustees we have NLDN Core Leadership Group consisting of Director, Assistant Director, administrative manager and Prayer Co-ordinator. We have the Working Party with leaders from various groups within the network and the wider membership
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	NLDN Global Christian Dance Fellowship GB.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The National Liturgical Dance Network
Other name the charity uses	NLDNUK
Registered charity number	1182829
Charity's principal address	8 Campbell Gardens Arnold Nottingham NG5 8RY

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	Brenda Serrant	Chair		NLDNUK
2	Yvonne (Dawn) Benjamin	Director		NLDNUK
3	Pamela Christian	Admin Support	26/01/2023 - Current	NLDNUK
4	Henry Butt	Trustee	30/03/2023 - Current	NLDNUK
5	Abigail Gordon	Trustee		NLDNUK
6	Joanne Fletcher	Trustee		NLDNUK
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name	N/A	

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
	N/A	

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 fall within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

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

N/A

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)	<i>Y. Benjamin</i>	
Full name(s)	Yvonne Benjamin	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Director	
Date	25 th October 2024	



National Liturgical Dance Network UK		1182829	
Annual accounts for the period			
Period start date	01/01/2023	To	31/12/2023

Section A Statement of financial activities

Recommended categories by activity	Guidance Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year funds
		£ F01	£ F02	£ F03	£ F04	£ F05
Incoming resources (Note 3)						
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	S01	3,458	-	-	3,458	1,956
Charitable activities	S02		37,531	-	37,531	5,656
Other trading activities	S03	90	-	-	90	-
Investments	S04	-	-	-	-	-
Separate material item of income	S05	-	-	-	-	-
Other	S06	46	-	-	46	-
Total	S07	3,594	37,531	-	41,125	7,612
Resources expended (Note 6)						
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	S08	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	S09		39,889	-	39,889	7,094
Separate material item of expense	S10	-	-	-	-	-
Other	S11	716	-	-	716	716
Total	S12	716	39,889	-	40,605	7,810
Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)						
Net gains/(losses) on investments	S13	2,878	- 2,358	-	520	- 198
Net income/(expenditure)	S14	-	-	-	-	-
Extraordinary items	S15	2,878	- 2,358	-	520	- 198
Transfers between funds	S16	-	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains/(losses):	S17	-	-	-	-	-
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use	S18	-	-	-	-	-
Other gains/(losses)	S19	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	S20	2,878	- 2,358	-	520	- 198
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward	S21	656	-	-	656	854
Total funds carried forward	S22	3,534	- 2,358	-	1,176	656

National Liturgical Dancers Network UK

Independent examiner's report to the trustees

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the National Liturgical Dancers Network UK for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.


Rose Clarke

FMAAT Licensed Accountants

Dated: 31st October 2024