



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date 1st June 2023

Period end date 31st May 2024

Charity name: **Lionheart UK**

Charity registration number: **1183347**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Advancement of the Christian religion through the unification of Churches and Outreach including a Christian Worship Music Festival
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	Initially an annual Christian Worship Music Festival with teaching and Outreach. A pilgrimage for refreshing, rejuvenating, advancing Christian values, and evangelism for those who are seeking. Further outreach took place in with a 'Lionhearted' indoor event in October 2023. Also 2 Ministers/Leaders' Meetings took place advancing unity within the Body of Christ.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Trustees received the Charity Commission guidance on being a Trustee, what that entails and the Trustees had the opportunity to liaise with a charity specialist at the Inauguration meeting. Very regular Trustees meetings take place and new Charity Commission information is circulated by email to keep Trustees informed.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	It is the intention and hope of Lionheart UK to invest back into the community through financial giving, support and unity. Local trades and church resources are used when possible working together as a 'family' Budgets put in place to financially support people to come to the festival who could not afford it.



Contribution made by volunteers

Para 1.38

Currently the Trustees and Team are all volunteers who have contributed either

		<p>financially, with time, resources and effort.</p> <p>Many volunteers have given their time and expertise to facilitate the Outreach and Festival itself happening.</p> <p>Lionheart leadership and volunteers work alongside secular trades and those spiritually seeking. Work parties for preparation, build and pack down, together with ministry volunteers all pull together to make the events and Outreach successful.</p>
Other		<p>Financial investment has been made by individuals and churches and through ticket sales, donations, legacy pledges, fundraising.</p>

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>	Para 1.20	<p>Excited and inspired by the July 2022 Festival and Testimonies the Lionheart Team and Trustees continued reaching out and making connections with other Christian Charities and Churches as well as individuals who expressed an interest in Christianity and those who became Christian. In November 2022 Lionheart hosted a Ministers/Leaders Tea with over 40 Christian Leaders from the Isle of Wight and Mainland discussing feedback from 2022 Festival, how Lionheart UK could serve them more, how we could work together more in the Community and how we can spread the Good News of the Gospel more. We collectively praised and worshipped and forged deeper connections, pooled skills and discussed more efficient ways forward. Lionheart then set about preparing for the July 2023 Festival armed with the new strategies and more contacts.</p> <p>Prior to the Lionheart Festival 2023, Outreach took place in various churches across the Isle of Wight via a committed partner of Lionheart, a Worship Leader from Wales leading worship and spreading the Gospel Message whilst the Team sold tickets and received donations for the July 2023 Festival.</p> <p>Once again numerous volunteers were signed up to carry out the all-important 'on the ground' tasks from the supervised build of the Festival right through to the pack-down. Our Volunteers were carefully informed and managed by our Volunteer Co-Ordinator who carried out familiarisation training and H&S training via zoom meetings as well as prayer and team building meetings.</p> <p>Tourism – Once again Lionheart Festival booked well over 40 band members and their cars to come over to the island all requiring ferries and accommodation. Also festival goers came from the mainland also requiring</p>

		<p>ferries and accommodation. People intended to extend their stays to enjoy the Isle of Wight, visit family and friends and visit other churches and local attractions.</p> <p>With the Advancement of Religion always in mind, Lionheart Festival issued a 'Not Yet Believers Ticket' (Latterly the name changed to 'Friends of Believer Ticket') for Christians to invite their non-Christian friends and family members free of charge (apart from small admin/booking fee).</p> <p>We also continued to use secular trades working alongside Christian volunteers, thus demonstrating the power of relational evangelism as this had been so successful in 2022.</p> <p>Our Social Media campaign also stepped up. Being blessed with the advice from a Christian Social Media Consultant we put together a marketing schedule that was carried out by volunteers in other Charities thus furthering unity with Charities and Churches across the Isle of Wight and beyond.</p> <p>All was going well, even more bands and speakers were booked for Lionheart 2023. Build phase almost complete when we had a Severe Weather Warning. Our suppliers of the Staging and Marquees said they need to dismantle urgently and then our local Council also issued a warning strongly advising the cancellation of any event our particular weekend for public safety reasons.</p> <p>So within 36 hours of the Festival Opening we had to cancel.</p> <p>We offered all ticket holders the option of refund, transfer or donate. The cancellation costs, transferral and refunded tickets cost us dearly.</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>Please see above – we were so blessed and encouraged by what Lionheart Festival brought to the Island and Community and how Lionheart UK did achieve its objective of advancing religion, or as we prefer to call it, spread the Good News and unify the Body of Christ in praise and worship as we are commanded to do.</p> <p>With the visit from our partnering Worship Leader prior to the Festival as well as the very successful Ministers' Tea in November 2022 and Ministers/Leaders' Meet in October 2023 prior to the October 2023 Lionhearted event we do feel we met our objectives</p>
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		even the main Festival did not go ahead.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Several fundraising events were carried out, together with ticket sales and donations. With the addition of 'Friends of Believer Tickets'. However moving Lionheart forward we do require an Underwriter or significant fundraising. We broke even. No debt. All suppliers were paid.
<input type="checkbox"/> Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		N/A

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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	As at 31 st May 2023 we had £14,096.51 in the bank with no outstanding debts. As at 31 st May 2024 we had £16,063.64 in the bank with no outstanding debts apart from those contracted for the Festival 2024 itself.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Special consideration has been given for the funds raised from ticket sales in case refunds need to be made.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Varies depending on ticket sales. We are not in debt to any other supplier however as at May 2023 we were in contract with suppliers for providing services for the Lionheart Festival 2024. Costs are monitored carefully.
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	Ticket sales (or lack thereof), donations (or lack thereof) and no Underwriter could jeopardise the future of the Charity.

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	Churches, individuals, other Christian Charities and Ticket Sales. We have not been able to secure any grants as yet. Also we have raised funds through sponsored activities and special offerings
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	Work in progress and evolving
		As above: Ticket sales (or lack thereof),

A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	donations (or lack thereof) and no Underwriter could jeopardise the future of the Charity. Also, with reduced funds there is little scope to pay workers therefore we are reliant on volunteers and kind gestures.
Other		N/A



Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charity Incorporated Organisation
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	Trustees are selected, interviewed by Board of Trustees and voted in. Charity Commission documentation of responsibilities of a Trustee are given. As a Christian Charity then it is preferred that Trustees are practising the Christian Faith

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	Trustees are selected, interviewed by Board of Trustees and voted in. Charity Commission documentation of responsibilities of a Trustee are given. Lionheart UK has policies in place including Financial Controls, Delegation of Authority and procedures, Data Protection, Safeguarding, Volunteer Policy
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	Lionheart UK has a Board of Trustees and a Core Project Team that meet on a monthly basis Other volunteers have 'stepped up' to work in a practical capacity when required
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	N/A
Other		N/A

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Lionheart UK
Other name the charity uses	Lionheart Festival
Registered charity number	1183347
Charity's principal address	14 St Michaels Road St Helens Ryde Isle of Wight

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	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Keith Joyce	Chair		
2	Sheila Bates			
3	Robin Whillier			
4	Paul Meredith			
5	Stuart Brenchley			
6	Paul Cowdery			
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8	Wynelle Cowdery	Treasurer		
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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 falls 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)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)		
Joseph Shurmer – Director, Laura Woodfield – Operations		


Exemptions from disclosure**Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details**

N/A

Other optional information

N/A

Declarations

Signature(s)	
Full name(s)	KEITH JAMES JOYCE
Position (eg Secretary, Chair)	CHAIR.
Date	12 SEP 2024

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE: 1 June 2023 to 31st May 2024

Closing May 31st 2024

IN			OUT	
Date	Detail	Amount	Date	Detail
June to May	Ticket Income	11054.11		Bank Fees
	Bank Interest	34.80		Travel Costs
	Regular Monthly Giving	240.00		Infrastrucutre & Supplies
	Donations	10225.00		Band Payments
				Expenses & Blessings
				Website Domain Costs
	TOTALS:	£21,553.91		

TOTALS:	<u>£43,107.82</u>
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£16,063.64

Amount
60.00
2271.80
13651.39
2391.00
1150.55
62.04
<u>£19,586.78</u>

Income		
Ticket Money	Bank Interest	Monthly Giving
76.80	7.10	20.00
14.96	10.69	20.00
124.17	8.75	20.00
45.49	8.26	20.00
329.05		20.00
172.76		20.00
692.83		20.00
948.31		20.00
59.18		20.00
45.49		20.00
138.10		20.00
41.98		20.00
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243.85		
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11054.11	34.80	240.00

£39,173.56

Outgoings					
One-off Donations	Bank Fee Fee	Travel Costs	Infrastructure and Supplies	Band Payment	Expenses and Blessings
100.00	5.00	66.30	168.75	1050.00	12.75
200.00	5.00	66.30	2480.00	320.00	76.00
500.00	5.00	66.30	379.15	220.00	675.00
5000.00	5.00	66.30	27.00	481.00	186.80
1000.00	5.00	114.70	4480.66	320.00	100.00
2000.00	5.00	66.30	1801.83		100.00
1000.00	5.00	66.30	114.00		
25.00	5.00	66.30	60.00		
250.00	5.00	66.30	1500.00		
25.00	5.00	151.00	480.00		
25.00	5.00	66.30	1980.00		
25.00	5.00	58.90	180.00		
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