



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Forest of Dean Lions Club

On accounts for the year
ended

30th June 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1189930

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30/06/2024.

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 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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

13.06.2025

Name:

Miss. Jenna Pflug FMAAT AATQB

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

Fellow Member of the Association of Accounting Technicians 283997

Address:

Dean Accountancy Services Limited
15 High Street, Lydney, Glos GL15 5DP

Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
From	Day 01	Month july	Year 2323	To	Day 30	Month june	Year 2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name FOREST OF DEAN LIONS CLUB (CIO)

Other names charity is known by FOREST OF DEAN LIONS CLUB

Registered charity number (if any) 1189930

Charity's principal address C/O THE JAYS, SUN GREEN ROAD,

BREAM

LYDNEY, GLOS

Postcode

GL15 6HX

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	Geoffrey Davis	Treasurer		
2	Steven Davis			
3	Stuart Love	Secretary		
4	Alan Townley			
5	Roger Gardner			
6	Helen Gardner			
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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)

CONSTITUTION

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

C.I.O.

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

ELECTED FROM MEMBERS OF THE FOREST OF DEAN LIONS CLUB.

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.

Forest of Dean Lions Club is part of Lions Clubs International.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Encourage service to the community.
Support for Youth. Promote volunteering.
Relief of poverty and the needy. Aid for humanitarian disaster relief.
Preventing avoidable blindness, assisting the disabled.
Promoting participation in recreation. Promoting protection of the environment. Encouraging members to take an interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community

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)

The club ran a popular and successful car boot sale

Together with Severn Dean Lions Club, Forest of Dean Lions ran two large fundraising events:

Lions Wild Boar Chase Mountain Bike Ride – promoting participation in recreation. This event is very popular with the riders – who enjoy a day of exercise, camaraderie, beautiful scenery in our area.

Lions Speech House Fireworks – providing a high quality professional display to offer an alternative to the risky practice of individuals releasing fireworks at home.

These events were run with the help of volunteers from local community organisations, including youth organisations such as local Scouts and Guides.

Volunteers from the community enable us to run these two major events. Without the volunteers freely donating their time and expertise we would have much less funds to draw on throughout the year.

As well as providing grants to deserving causes within GL15 and GL16 post code areas and some international disasters, Forest of Dean Lions Club undertakes a number of community service projects.

For example, a "Forest Champions" event was held to highlight and celebrate achievements of individuals and groups within our community.

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 following information:

- public benefit statement
- grant making policy,
- support priorities,
- information on principles, exclusions,
- grant application process,
- grant assessment process,
- conditions for awarded grants
- data protection measures
- monitoring and publicity expectations
- objectives of the charity

are all publicly available can all be found on the club web site (under "About Us") at:

<https://www.forestlions.org.uk/>

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Wild Boar Chase mountain bike ride* in September was well supported with well over 400 entries. The Humbug Chase - a section for accompanied junior riders aged 8-12 years , also had a good entry.

The Speech House Fireworks* in November was ticket-only and was sold-out. The display was enjoyed by local families and children. Children of Primary School age and younger had free entry.

Grants with a total value of £13.3K were made to local recipients including:

Great Western Air Ambulance,
Lydney Community Centre,
English Bicknor Playing Field,
Scar Bandstand Rising Stars,
Marie Curie,
Hope for Tomorrow,
Newent Men's Shed,
Coalway School Playground Stencils,
Severn Freewheelers (hospital deliveries by motorcycle)
Kids Cancer Charity
The Victoria Centre, Lydney

A grant of £5K to Severn Dean Lions club, part of the proceeds of the Wild Boar Chase.

Many smaller grants were made to local Guides, Scouts, Societies and individuals in need (mostly via umbrella organisations).

The Forest Champions event was organised to recognise individuals in the area who have made contributions to the community. Awards categories were; Young Achiever, Lifetime Achievement, Local Hero, Contribution to Animal Welfare, Healthcare, Community Group and a Lions special recognition award.

* jointly organised with Severn Dean Lions Club. Both these events were well supported by volunteer helpers from the community.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The reserves enable the charity to provide grants throughout the year. Carrying a reserve also allows the charity to provide larger grants from time to time.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

NONE

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.

Forest of Dean Lions Club is a member of Lions Clubs International.

The major fundraising sources are mentioned above.

Section F


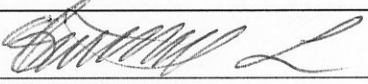
Other optional information

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)	GEOFFREY KEVIN DAVIS	STUART LOVE
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	HON. TREASURER, TRUSTEE	HON SECRETARY, TRUSTEE

Date

11th April 2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
FOREST OF DEAN LIONS CLUB (C.I.O.)

No (if any)
1189930

Receipts and payments accounts

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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					
SUBS into ADMIN ACCOUNT	1,065	-	-	1,065	1,200
Receipts into CHARITY ACCOUNT	4,175	-	-	4,175	9,714
Receipts into ENDURO ACCOUNT	17,709	-	-	17,709	2,698
Receipts into PAYPAL ACCOUNT	11,255	-	-	11,255	13,122
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	34,204	-	-	34,204	26,734
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	34,204	-	-	34,204	26,734
A3 Payments					
General Grants from Charity Account	13,317	-	-	13,317	11,052
Misc Debits from Charity Account	3,461	-	-	3,461	346
LCI Dues from Charity Account	170	-	-	170	186
Misc Debits from Admin Account	103	-	-	103	640
LCI Dues from Admin Account	804	-	-	804	920
Grants from Enduro Account	5,600	-	-	5,600	6,580
Event Costs from Enduro Account	5,008	-	-	5,008	3,278
Debits from PayPal Account	13,254	-	-	13,254	341
CORRECTION	27	-	-	27	-
Sub total	41,744	-	-	41,744	23,343
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	41,744	-	-	41,744	23,343
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 7,540	-	-	- 7,540	3,391
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	27,833	-	-	27,833	-
Cash funds this year end	20,293	-	-	20,293	3,391

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	20,293	-	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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 liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

Geoffrey Davis
Stuart Love

GEOFFREY DAVIS
STUART LOVE

16/3/25
11/4/25