



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **1 July 2023** Period start date To **30 June 2024**
Period end date

Charity name: Stour Valley Lions CIO

Charity registration number: 1191828

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	The aims of the Stour Valley Lions are identical to those for the Lions Club International: To promote the principles of good government and good citizenship. To take an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.
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.	Activities for the year July 2023 to June 2024 include: Ongoing activities within the community: Monthly cinema evenings for the Shipston on Stour Community. These are very much a community provision rather than a charity fund raising event and average a very small profit of less than £100 per night/month Providing two drivers for the weekly shop at the Shipston Food Bank Regularly maintaining the Gyratory Memorial Garden for community use Continuing to support the concept and development of a Men's Shed for the Shipston community. Fund raising for causes, both local, national and international Focus from January to September 2024: In January 2024, the Stour Valley Lions committed to raising money specifically for the Shipston First Responders to replace their aging emergency vehicle. This was completed through a range of fund-raising activities from January to September. In total, £12,916 has been transferred to the Shipston First Responders from the Stour Valley Lions. Specific Donations, Activities and events from 1st July 2023 to 30th June 2024 include: July 2023: Supporting establishment of GLOSS (Shipston Women's Group) by paying first year's insurance August 2023: Paying for Shipston's Holidays at Home provision Providing Parking Marshalls for Brailes Show September 2023: Paying for Shipston High School to have the 'Prison Me - No Way' experience for their students. Providing money to purchase white goods for a Shipston resident in need October 2023 Donation of £1650 to the Shipston Food Bank from the profits of the 2023 Food Festival Donation of £500 (approx.) to a Shipston resident to purchase a cooker Maintenance work on the Gazebo at Stour Court (Support) November 2023 Craft and Book Fair at the Townsend Hall (Fund Raising and supporting local crafters)

	Remembrance Day 2023: Road traffic responsibilities in support of the Shipston on Stour British Legion. (Support) Met several times with local businesses on developing a 'Totally Locally' craft event (subsequently cancelled by the local Totally Locally group) December 2023 Various dates: Supporting the Rotary Club of Shipston in the Christmas Santa Run (Support) 1st December: Supporting the Rotary Club by Marshalling at the Victorian Evening (Support) 1st December: Selling raffle tickets at a stall at the Victorian Evening (Fund Raising) Food bank: gave a substantial grant to help pay for Christmas hampers (Support) 17th December: Supported Shipston Lodge Nursing Home in putting on their Winter Fete (Support/Fund raising) January 2024 12th January Film Night (Support) 14th January Free Film and tea party for the Senior residents of Shipston (Support) February 2024 16th Feb 2024: Film Night (Support) March 2024 16th March: Organised and ran a Race Night for Ekica Fundraising (Fund raising) 23rd March: Sold Easter Eggs raffle tickets (Fund raising) 27th March: We held a "Lions Den" and gave £5000 in grants to local charities and causes that met the Public Benefits guidance. (Support) April 2024 12th April: Film Evening (Support) 27th April: Collection for the Shipston First Responders in the town centre and to raise awareness of our fundraising campaign for their new vehicle (Support) May 2024 10th May: Film Evening(Support) 11th May: Sold Ducks for the Annual Duck Race (Fund raising) 19th May: Supported Shipston Angling Club in the organisation and implementation of the Annual Duck Race with 50% of profits going to the Shipston First Responders (Support) Various dates: Maintenance and planting in the Gyrotory Memorial Garden (Support) June 2024 1st June: Supporting Shipston Lodge Nursing Home in the organisation and implementation of their Summer Fete (Support/Fund raising) 14th June: Film Evening (Support) 28th June: Organised and ran a Race Night for Ettington School PTA (Fund raising)
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	The Trustees have taken full regard of guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. https://www.gov.uk/guidance/public-benefit-rules-for-charities A proforma which outlines each aspect of the Charity Commission guidance is used to grade grant applications and support requests, thus ensuring we comply with the guidance.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policy on grant making	Grants and support are our main expenditure. Eg. Holiday at Home, Food Bank, Shipston First Responders, Ekica Sponsorship, Cooker for a local resident, Disability Football Team kits, etc. Lions Den Guidance is issued to recipients of grants and support on their responsibilities for spending the money within the criteria against which it was granted. Recipients sign contracts which to agree to them complying with the guidance and only spending in line with our Purchasing and Procurement Policy.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Social investment is a main factor in the allocation and use of our monies to benefit the Stour Valley community wellbeing. Eg. OAP tea party, Gyrotory Garden maintenance purchases, Mending the Rainbow Field Shed & London Road bench, etc. The club considers each area identified for support, individually and on its merits, responding to local needs as a priority
Contribution made by volunteers	The Stour Valley Lions could not operate without the voluntary work of its members with more than 200 hours a month being given to further the activities and administration of the club. During the year 2022-2023 the club had 4 Trustees and 11 members. None of the members are paid for their time.
Other	

Achievements and Performance

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.	The Stour Valley Lions encourage residents of the Shipston community to request support on behalf of themselves, another individual or organisation. All requests are considered and support provided financially or in kind as appropriate to the circumstances. In the period July 2023 to June 2024, we had an income into our Charity Account of £34,209.13 and expenditure of £34,279.17. We donated £20,056.32 in grants to worthwhile causes. From this, £1,665.60 (8% of grants) was granted to humanitarian causes beyond our local area including those targeting specific globally publicised disasters. Specific targeted legacies and awards have enabled us to donate £18,390.72 (92% of grants) to causes solely in the Shipston Town and Stour Valley area. We are committed to supporting the wellbeing of the community and sometimes that means hosting events that either run at a loss, or are totally funded by the Lions, with no attempt to recoup costs. A look at our Events website shows monthly Cinema evenings which, more often than not, break even and events such as the Free Film and Afternoon Tea event for Shipston's senior residents held in January 2024 which are paid for totally from our fund raising account

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	

Investment performance against objectives	
Other	

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024	
	Bank balance at start of period	£264.97
	Net difference this period	£97.86
	Bank Balance at end of period	£362.83
	Total Income to Administration Account this period: £1895.28	
	Total Expenditure from Administration Account this period: £1605.87	
	Repay of debt to Welfare Account	£191.55
	Excess of income over expenditure	£97.86
	WELFARE (CHARITY) ACCOUNT (incl. General, Legacy and Coop Funds) 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024	
	Balance at start of period:	£21,948.43 (£ 22273.43)
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Total income this period:	£34,234.13
	Total Expenditure this period:	£34,304.17
	Net income this period (spend - expenditure):	-£70.04
	Bank Balance at end of period:	£21,878.39
	Other assets:	£10,000
	As of 30th June 2024 the balances are	
	Welfare Account:	£21,878.39
	Admin Account:	£362.83
	We organise and present a number of events and activities for which we have a number of up-front payments. In the vast majority of cases, these are covered by income from the event. However, it is important that we hold sufficient reserves to allow us to plan events and activities without resorting to members having to use their own money. We aim to retain £3000 for this as cashflow.	
	Other reserves are held as they are ringfenced for specific spending under the rules set by the Legacy trustees. These are accounted for separately, but not yet spent.	
Amount of reserves held	We support a variety of worthy causes in the Community, both through The Lions' Den; a Public Application process, and through funds donated to causes brought to our attention, debated against the Public Benefit guidance by our members and granted as agreed. These grants are held in a Commitment Reserve as required.	
	Included within the end of the 2023-2024 financial year balance of £21,878.39, we have uncommitted money of approximately: £8,000 which will be available for Grant giving in the next financial year.	

Reasons for holding zero reserves	N/A																								
Details of fund materially in deficit	N/A																								
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Stour Valley Lions is a thriving and successful Club and anticipates continuing to increase its income in the future. The members enjoy their success and have fun whilst supporting the community. Stour Valley Lions Income/Expenditure History <table><thead><tr><th>Financial Year</th><th>Income (£)</th><th>Expenditure (£)</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>2016-2017</td><td>9,000.00</td><td>7,500.00</td></tr><tr><td>2017-2018</td><td>12,500.00</td><td>2,500.00</td></tr><tr><td>2019-2020</td><td>13,000.00</td><td>1,500.00</td></tr><tr><td>2020-2021</td><td>4,000.00</td><td>3,500.00</td></tr><tr><td>2021-2022</td><td>2,000.00</td><td>1,500.00</td></tr><tr><td>2022-2023</td><td>27,500.00</td><td>27,000.00</td></tr><tr><td>2023-2024</td><td>34,000.00</td><td>34,000.00</td></tr></tbody></table>	Financial Year	Income (£)	Expenditure (£)	2016-2017	9,000.00	7,500.00	2017-2018	12,500.00	2,500.00	2019-2020	13,000.00	1,500.00	2020-2021	4,000.00	3,500.00	2021-2022	2,000.00	1,500.00	2022-2023	27,500.00	27,000.00	2023-2024	34,000.00	34,000.00
Financial Year	Income (£)	Expenditure (£)																							
2016-2017	9,000.00	7,500.00																							
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2020-2021	4,000.00	3,500.00																							
2021-2022	2,000.00	1,500.00																							
2022-2023	27,500.00	27,000.00																							
2023-2024	34,000.00	34,000.00																							

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Our principal income derives from our Events and Activities, where we look to achieve in excess of 100% Return on Expenditure
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	none
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Membership – in order to maintain our current provision of activities and events, we have a significant reliance on quantity, physical ability and succession planning. Recruitment of new members is vital to our future security. Motivation of volunteers – We rely on members preparedness to give time and energy to our activities. This has undeniable association with the success of our events Reputation – SVL have a reputation for supporting the Community and delivering on our commitments. Cancellation of Events / Unsuccessful events – As with all event planning, there is an element of risk, however SVL operate and make decisions on a low-risk basis with due diligence taken throughout the planning stage. Event income that could potentially be refunded in the event of cancellation is withheld until after the event.
Other	

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:	The Stour Valley Lions were established in 1981 and is run by a committee of 4 Registered Trustees. Membership of the club is open to anyone and we meet monthly for a public business meeting on the second Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm at The George Townhouse, Shipston on Stour. During the year July 2023 to June 2024 the club had 16 full members the majority of whom live within the Stour Valley.
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	The Stour Valley Lions adopted a new Constitution on 30 November 2020 and this has been updated as Trustees change. The document is available to members at www.stourvalleylionsevents.club/membersarea
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	CIO Trustees are elected by the members of the Stour Valley Lions. Elections are held following proposals for roles with an election at the AGM.
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	Trustees are principally the senior roles within the Club – President, Secretary, plus two other members.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements 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	
Other	

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Stour Valley Lions Club CIO
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1191826
Charity's principal address	16 Furze Hill Road Shipston On Stour Warwickshire CV36 4ET

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	Duncan Cashmore	President		
2	Paul Macpherson	Vice President		
3	Judith Jackson	Secretary		
4	Susan Bains	Treasurer		
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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

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 Financial Examination carried out by
Name Ian Cooper. The PiR Partnership LLP
Address Astech Mill, 50 Stratford Road, Shipston on Stour, CV36 5BA

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

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

n/a

Other optional information

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)

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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)	Mr Paul Macpherson	Dr Susan Bains
Full name(s)	Mr Paul Macpherson	Dr Susan Bains
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Current Chair as April 2025	Treasurer

Date 9 April 2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)
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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 7/1/2023	To	Period end date 6/30/2024
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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					
Income from Charitable Activities	2,055	-	-	2,055	5,000
Income from donations	6,884	-	-	6,884	2,168
Income from other sources	1,299	-	-	1,299	515
Income from Trading activities	22,304	-	-	22,304	19,331
Income from transferred monies	1,692	-	-	1,692	275
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	34,234	-	-	34,234	27,288
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	34,234	-	-	34,234	27,288
A3 Payments					
Admin and sundries	2,847	-	-	2,847	2,136
Grants to other charities	15,645	-	-	15,645	14,027
Expenses for Activities	10,913	-	-	10,913	5,327
Grants to groups not charities	3,942	-	-	3,942	4,892
Grants to individuals	469	-	-	469	699
Spending on other	224	-	-	224	95
transferred money	264	-	-	264	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	34,304	-	-	34,304	27,176
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	34,304	-	-	34,304	27,176
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 70	-	-	- 70	112
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	21,948	-	-	21,948	21,836
Cash funds this year end	21,878	-	-	21,878	21,948

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	bank balance	21,878	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	21,878	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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 asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Misc contents of container.		-	10,271
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	Dr Susan Bains	Dr Susan Bains	4/9/2025	
	Mr Paul Macpherson	Mr Paul Macpherson	4/14/2025	

Inventory for Asset held by Stour Valley

Mar-25

Approximate total value

Item	number of units	Approx R or M Unit Cost
2 metre extension lead with 3 plug sockets	1	£20.00
6 ft metal cupboard	1	£250.00
A Frame (Damaged) - A1 exterior	5	£200.00
Audio Cable (unknown length)	1	£20.00
Banners / Posters for book fair	1	£150.00
Banners/posters Food Festival Vinyl	1	£150.00
Collection Cans with lids	21	£7.00
Dice (foam)	3	£8.00
Extension Lead - 20 metre	1	£25.00
Feather Banner promoting Lions	1	£140.00
Filing cabinet 2 door	1	£60.00
Fire Blanket	1	£5.00
Fire Extinguisher	1	£20.00
Fire extinguishers	2	£30.00
Gazebo 1	1	£600.00
Gazebo 2	1	£600.00
Gazebo Leg Weights and sides	1	£32.99
Gyratory Garden Plants	1	£200.00
Hook a Duck Event Kit box inc; 20 ducks & prizes	1	£50.00
Horses - Wooden Race	6	£30.00
Hurdles for Race Nights Wooden	4	£5.00
Ladder 5 step	1	£70.00
Litter Pickers	3	£7.00
PA Amplifyer in steel case (part of PA System)	1	
PA Speaker uprights (part of PA System)	2	
PA system speakers (part of PA System)	2	
Pig Tail Spikes LOTS	20	£2.00
Play your cards right game kit Bag inc banner	1	£30.00
Race Night Event kit box incl raffle books	1	£30.00
Race night stands and dice in a box	1	£25.00
Road Signs A0 Wooden no stakes	5	£45.00
Shelf Racking 6ft steel	11	£40.00
Step ladder - 2 step	1	£25.00
Storage boxes - grey mixed size... approx	60	£15.00
SUMUP machines and chargers	2	£50.00
Tombola Drums	2	£120.00
Trestle Tables	9	£100.00
Truck - pull-a-long	1	£160.00
Two Way Radios	6	£220.00
Urns	2	£100.00
Wooden Table (size??)	1	£25.00
Cable ties, Poster/road sign tape,s Fixing etc	1	£40.00
Container Keys	4	£10.00

Film Night Glasses	1	£66.00
Table clothes	4	£15.00
A Frame /White board metal	1	
A Frame Wooden	1	
Banner - Welcome Lions	1	
Bubble wrap and packing for the Baskets	1	
Buckets red plastic	4	
Cake stands approx 20	20	
Camping Chair	1	
Car Battery	1	
Chain lengths	2	
Chairs White Plastic	8	
Chairs with Red Seats	6	
Chairs wooden fold-up	2	
Shelves Chip Boards - Assorted sizes	1	
Circular Saw	1	
Clipboards	9	
Direction Arrow Signs	6	
Dustbin - black plastic	1	
Flags - small union jacks	5	
Generator	1	
Guess the Combination Game	1	
Hammock - small	2	
Hazard Tape (Roll of)	1	
Heavy Duty Bunting	1	
Magic Box and combo lock	1	
Masonry Paint 5 litre pots	2	
Metal Brackets for Bookshelves (boxes full)	2	
Model (polystyrene)	1	
Paint - misc pots - lots	1	
Paint Brush	1	
Poster display tall road signs	3	
Posts - Sturdy Wooden	2	
Posts - Round Wooden	1	
Road Signs A1 Wooden	2	
Rope (Roll of Blue)	1	
Santa Claus outfit	1	
Shelving - Assorted Wooden	1	
Shop Till - old metal one	1	
Sign Boards - A3	2	
Ski Netting - Rolls of orange	1	
Skittles - Wooden	20	
Small signs for Grass Verge display	10	
Spin the Wheel Game kits	1	
Table Coverings Rolls of	2	
Tea Pots catering metal	4	
Uprights for Shelf Supports (box)	1	
Waste Bin - kitchen blue plastic	1	
Waste Paper Bin - tall stainless steel	1	
Waterproofing Paint tin of	1	
Wheelchair	1	

White Wipe Board	1	
Wicker Baskets	23	
Wood sealant (Aquaseal) 2.5L tin	1	
Table clothes	4	£15.00
Book Boxes	50	£10.00
Tables	10	£100.00

/ Lions

£10,270.99

total

£20.00

£250.00

£1,000.00

£20.00

£150.00

£150.00

£147.00

£24.00

£25.00

£140.00

£60.00

£5.00

£20.00

£60.00

£600.00

£600.00

£32.99

£200.00

£50.00

£180.00

£20.00

£70.00

£21.00

£0.00

£0.00

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£40.00

£30.00

£30.00

£25.00

£225.00

£440.00

£25.00

£900.00

£100.00

£240.00

£900.00

£160.00

£1,320.00

£200.00

£25.00

£40.00

£40.00

£0.00
£0.00
£0.00
£60.00
£500.00
£1,000.00



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Date: 12th February 2025

Independent Accountants Report on the Annual Accounts for the Stour Valley Lions Club

This report is made to the Stour Valley Lions Club for issue with the Annual Accounts for the year ended 30th June 2024.

Our work has been undertaken to enable us to make this report to the Stour Valley Lions Club and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept responsibility to anyone other than the Stour Valley Lions Club as a body for our work or for this report. The procedures performed did not constitute an audit or a review of any kind and were not designed to provide any assurance regarding whether the figures are accurate, whether the services were provided effectively and on the governance processes.

We have examined the Annual Accounts for the year ended 30th June 2024. We consider that the statements have been correctly extracted from the books and records of the Stour Valley Lions Club and are sufficiently supported by accounts, receipts and other documents which have been provided to us by the Stour Valley Lions Club.

12th February 2025

Ian Cooper FCMA

For and on behalf of
The PiR Partnership LLP

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