



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st July 2023 To 30th June 2024

Charity name: Melksham Lions Club CIO

Charity registration number: 1191977

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The objects of the club are such purposes as are exclusively charitable in England and Wales, including in particular, the advancement of citizenship by: • Promoting the principles of good citizenship. • Encouraging members to take an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community. • Providing a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by members. • Encouraging service-minded people to serve their community without personal reward and encouraging the promotion of high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and private endeavours. • Supporting youth to develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals. • Promoting the voluntary sector for the public benefit by associating with local authorities in a common effort to advance education and provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure time occupation to improve the conditions of life of people in local, national and international communities. • Promote volunteering. • The relief of poverty and the relief of those in need in particular by providing humanitarian aid and disaster relief. • The advancement of health or the saving of lives by preventing avoidable blindness, assisting disabled people to

		lead independent lives or helping to prevent or manage health issues. • Promoting for the benefit of the public the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment. • Promoting community participation in healthy recreation.
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	Melksham Lions fundraising activities throughout the year include: • Santa's Sleigh in December at local supermarkets and around the streets. • Easter Hamper Raffles at local shops and businesses. • Attendance at local Fetes and Fairs. • Easter Trail. • Obtaining sponsorship from local businesses. The major beneficiaries include: • Local schools – purchase of books. • Freewheelers. • Wiltshire Air Ambulance. • Julia's House • Youth Adventure Trust • Food Bank and other local support charities. • Support for local individuals and families. • Medical Research. • Youth Sports Clubs.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	All trustees are appraised of all communications from the Charity Commission and any matters arising discussed at our bi-monthly meetings. The club is governed by its CIO Constitution and by the Constitutions and By-Laws of Lions Clubs International. The club relies on fundraising events and local donations to carry out its work. All work is carried out entirely voluntarily, and any administration expenses are funded by members' subscriptions.

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	• Christmas Float – This year the income from this activity was significantly higher than last year, mainly due to an increase in membership The main beneficiaries of this activity were: Melksham Food Bank Brain Tumour Research Julia's Hose Books for Schools Wiltshire Mind Melksham Christmas Lights • Easter Hampers – This year showed a small increase on the previous year. The beneficiaries of this activity were: Wiltshire Air Ambulance Free Wheelers (Blood Bikes) • 50th Anniversary – During 2024 the Club celebrates its 50 years of charter, with a number of events planned for later in 2024, in the next Fiscal Year, with all proceeds going to five local charities. • Other Events/Donations Received - Again, an appreciable increase from the previous year. Income from these activities are used to fund our more non-specific items that include: Support for local individuals Support for local youth sports clubs Lions disaster relief fund Support for local welfare projects

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Our overall income in the year was about £1k higher than budgeted
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Fundraising for support of our 50 th Anniversary Events exceeded our expectations by about £3k.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The club remains in a strong financial position, holding some £3k more than our minimum reserve level at the end of the financial year.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The Trustees have a reserves policy that takes into account the fluctuations of revenue during the year where the majority of income is generated in either December or April. The financial risk of planning any events will be reviewed to ensure the reserves are not materially affected.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£11,540
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	N/A

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	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		None
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Melksham Lions Club CIO Constitution adopted on 8 th January 2021
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable 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 as per Section 14 of the Melksham Lions Club Constitution dated 8 th January 2021. Trustees are elected annually by the Club Members, with the term of office running for one year from 1 st July. New trustees maybe appointed at any time during the year, with the term of office running until 30 th June.

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	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Melksham Lions Club CIO
Other name the charity uses	Melksham Lions Lions Club of Melksham
Registered charity number	1191977
Charity's principal address	22, Berryfield Park Melksham Wiltshire SN12 6ED

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	Simon White	President		
2	Susan Whyborn	Secretary		
3	Philip Gaskell	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	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

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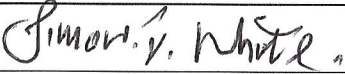
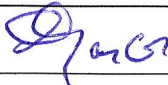
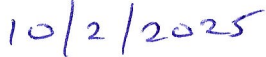
Other optional information

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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)		
Full name(s)	Simon White	Philip Gaskell
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	President	Treasurer
Date		



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Charity Name
Melksham Lions CIO

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1121877

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
1-Jul-23

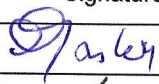
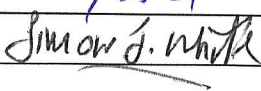
To

Period end date
30-Jun-24

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Admin Account to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Members' Subscriptions	-	-	1,484	1,484	1,274
Gift Aid on Members' Subscriptions	-	-	493	493	-
Members' Raffles and Donations	-	-	449	449	304
Melksham Town Council Grant	-	-	-	-	709
General Events	2,257	-	-	2,257	1,870
Christmas Events	4,802	-	-	4,802	3,341
Gift Aid on Christmas Events	1,202	-	-	1,202	836
Easter Hampers	2,522	-	-	2,522	2,386
50th Anniversary Evebts Sponsorship	5,395	-	-	5,395	-
Sponsorship/Donations	2,293	-	-	2,293	1,974
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	18,471	-	2,426	20,897	12,694
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	18,471	-	2,426	20,897	12,694
A3 Payments					
LCI/MD and Ditrit Dues	-	-	1,718	1,718	1,234
General Running Expenses	-	-	632	632	231
New Gazebo and Accesories	-	-	-	-	709
General Events Costs	575	-	-	575	1,250
Christmas Events Cost	314	-	-	314	312
Easter Hamper Costs	726	-	-	726	625
50th Anniversary Event Costs	1,644	-	200	1,844	-
Donations to Individuals Groups	10,805	-	-	10,805	10,516
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	14,064	-	2,550	16,614	14,877
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	14,064	-	2,550	16,614	14,877
Net of receipts/(payments)	4,407	-	124	4,283	2,183
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	6,040	-	1,217	7,257	-
Cash funds this year end	10,447	-	1,093	11,540	2,183

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Admin Account to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Barclays Bank	10,329	-	953
	Cash	118	-	140
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	10,447	-	1,093
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
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B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			PHILIP GASKELL	10/2/2025
			SIMON WHITE	10/2/2025