



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From : 01/07/2024 Period start date **To: 30/06/2025** Period end date

Charity name: Stoke on Trent Lions Club (CIO)

Charity registration number: 1192273

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	"To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions Clubs." The objects as set out in the charity's constitution are: • The advancement of citizenship, • Promoting the voluntary sector for the public benefit, • Promoting 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 , • Promoting the conservation, protecting and improvement of the physical and natural environment, and • 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	Fundraising by club members and donations from supporters enable the Club to make donations to a number of local good causes and national charities with local connections, - provide aid, both monetary and physical, in individual cases of need.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have	Para 1.18	In conjunction with the objectives of Lions Club International the Trustees

had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit		have complied with their duty to 'Public Benefit' as published in guidance issued by the Charity Commission. Also, the trustees work with reference to the Charity Commission trustee guidance document 'The Essential Trustee - What You Need To Know' and monitor Charity Commission Trustees newsletters.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	- The Club aims to make grants and donations where it is thought they will make an appreciable difference. - The Club will consider international and national funding requests received via the Lions Clubs International Foundation. - The Club will not normally support applications from large national charities except where they meet a particular need in Stoke on Trent or surrounding areas.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	The Club does not make any investments, except for purchases of items which are necessary for their fundraising activities, and which are written off in full in the year of purchase.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	All Stoke on Trent Lions Club members are volunteers – albeit paying an annual subscription. They are assisted at times by non-subscription paying friends and relatives, again entirely on a voluntary basis.
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	All monies raised are distributed to causes selected in accordance with the Grant Making Policy and/or used to pay for supplies and equipment and fees necessary for fund raising activities. Donations made in 2024/2025 to charities and other organisations totalled £24119 These include: local charities £16224 eg help with distressed families , Grocott centre, local foodbank , local youth and theatre groups · National charities £3185 Lion's related charities £2913 Local defibrillators £639 Stoke Lions own projects Shoes for kids £150, Message in a bottle £200 childrens day out £413

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
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	There is one account – which includes charity and administration in separate sections. At the end of the Lions year 2024-2025 the balances were Charity £37844 Administration £1305
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Policy on reserves - The Club distributes funds prudently and in accordance with its Grant Making Policy, as and when they are available. The only designated funds held are for a future PSA (Prostate Specific Antigen) testing and a reserve to cover the Firework display monies in case of a last minute cancellation.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Whilst the club's activities require no fixed levels of funds it is considered prudent to designate £17,000 in the event of a failure with the Firework Display and £10,000 for future Prostate Cancer testing.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

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:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CONSTITUTION (Adopted 11 November 2020)
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Chartered under the jurisdiction of the International Association of Lions Clubs and registered with the Charity Commission (England and Wales) as a Charitable Incorporated Organization.
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	Elected by the Membership

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	Stoke on Trent Lions Club CIO
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1192273
Charity's principal address	32 Paris Avenue ,Newcastle, Staffordshire, ST52RQ

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	Barbara Martin	Vice treasurer		
2	Katherine Johnson	Secretary		
3	William Hodgkinson	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	
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)

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)

	
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Full name(s)

William John Hodgkinson

Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Treasurer

Date

22 February 2024

Stoke on Trent Lions Club CIO Summary Accounts Year ending 30 June 2025

		Income	Expenditure	Balance
Administration				
	Subscriptions	1520.00		1520.00
	Charter night	2514.00	2506.19	7.81
	raffles and fines	499.54	12.40	487.14
	Dist Mdist dues		1022.25	-1022.25
	Int dues		895.07	-895.07
	Miscellaneous	60.00	387.25	-327.25
	President bursary		300.00	-300.00
	Transfers	1135.75		1135.75
	Sub Total	5729.29	5123.16	606.13
Charity				
Fundraising				
	Card Collection	70.00		70.00
	Tombola at Fenton Lghts	270.00		270.00
	Brass band concert	323.90	300.00	23.90
	Trentham stall	43.50	26.98	16.52
	Fireworks 2024	46111.00	22663.56	23447.44
	Fireworks 2025 deposit		1000.00	-1000.00
	Etruria festival 25	150.50		150.50
	Prostse cancer testing 2024	8908.41	3969.85	4938.56
	Tunstall carnival 24	3478.50	3563.69	-85.19
	School stall kate	59.35	30.00	29.35
	Tiunstall carnival 2025	450.00	100.00	350.00
	Subtotal	59865.16	31654.08	28211.08
Other income				
	Donations to club	1142.41		1142.41
	Subtotal	1142.41		1142.41
Welfare activities				
	Local charity donations		16224.11	-16224.11
	LCI donations		2313.00	-2313.00
	National charity donations		3185.00	-3185.00
	District Insurance		394.5	-394.50
	MIAB and MIAW		200.00	-200.00
	Shoes for kids		150.00	-150.00
	Defibrilators		639.44	-639.44
	Foxfield		413.44	-413.44
	LCIF		600.00	-600.00
	Subtotal		24119.49	-24119.49
Other expenditure				
	Operating expenses		2198.86	-2198.86
	Miscellaneous		279.94	-279.94
	Transfer travel expenses to admin		1135.75	-1135.75
	Subtotal		3614.55	-3614.55
Excess income over expenditure		66736.86	64511.28	2225.58

Balance sheet

Balances

Opening balance

Balance at Barclays bank 36925.19

Excess income over expenditure 2225.58

Closing balance 39150.77

Net Current assets

Assets

Balance at Barclays bank 39150.77

Prepared by

W. Hodgkinson

W Hodgkinson Treasurer

Auditted by

C R Plant

C R Plant independent examiner

Accepted by

D Barwick

D Barwick President

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Trustee Name
Stoke on Trent Lions Club CIO

On accounts for the year ended

30 June 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1192273

Set out on pages

(Examiner, write in the page numbers in which you report)

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30/06/2024
As the charity's trustees, 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

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

Signed:



Date:

12 Sep 2025

Name:

Mr C R Plant

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

Address:

10 Eleanor View, Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire