



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 Jan 2024 To 31 Dec 2024

Charity name: The Lieder in English Foundation

Charity registration number: 1193023

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The object of the charity is to promote the public's appreciation of the art of classical music by producing and publishing English-language versions of German classical songs (Lieder); to have them performed and recorded, and to make the recordings available to the public, so as to foster a wider appreciation of Lieder among non-German speakers.
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	The charity organises and pays for : -the rescoring of German classical songs with English lyrics, and -the professional recordings of these songs. These recordings are then made available to the public, free of charge, on the charity's website and Youtube channels. They are also published on streaming services.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The charity has taken note of and had regard for the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission and uses this to meet its objectives and in the forward planning of the charity. Access to benefits is unrestricted within practical constraints of the public having access to technology to enjoy pre-recorded performances.

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	N/A

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	N/A
Other		N/A

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	With the video of the full performance of Schubert's Winterreise having been recovered, work has continued on preparing it for publication on YouTube, where numerous other of our videos are already available. All the Charity's productions continue to be made available on streaming services.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		N/A

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity made a loss of £1,800 this year, leaving it with cash reserves of £3,219. This is enough to cover its expected expenses in 2025. The charity's only current source of income is through donations and gift aid claims from HMRC. The charity's outgoings represent costs incurred in the running of the charity.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity closely monitors the balance of the bank account held to ensure that sufficient funds are available as working capital for the production of any individual performance. The charity also looks to ensure sufficient funds are available to cover any one off costs that may arise.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	All the funds of the charity are unrestricted and can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives of the trustees and the charity does not have any stipulation on how these funds should be spent. The amount of reserves at the end of the period was £1,690, which is solely made up of unrestricted funds.
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	The charity is a going concern.

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	The charity's only current source of incomes is donations and gift aid claims from HMRC. Some minor earnings may however soon be forthcoming from streaming services.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	Moneys in excess of £100 are place in an interest earning account. No investments as such are made as the capital available is negligible.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The Trustees have assessed the risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those relating to the operations and finances of the charity, and are satisfied that there are no material risks.

Other		N/A
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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	The charity's constitution, as adopted on 15 December 2020
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	The charity is a charitable incorporated organisation, registered on 7 January 2021
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 nominated by existing Trustees having consideration of relevant skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

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 prospective Trustee will meet all the Trustees (unless they are already well-acquainted) and will be familiarised with the Charity's affairs, as well as the duties of trustees, to the extent they are not already familiar with those duties.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	N/A
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	There have been no activities with related parties during the year.
Other		During this period, Katherine Eldridge died and was replaced by Emily Neighbour as Trustee. The charity had no employees during this period, and no remuneration was paid to Trustees. Expenses of the charity paid on its behalf by Oliver Wright were reimbursed to him.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Lieder in English Foundation
Other name the charity uses	N/A

Registered charity number	1193023
Charity's principal address	Sylvatica Hids Copse Road Oxford OX2 9JJ

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	Oliver Wright	Chairman		
2	Eamonn Barrett			
3	Kathleen Eldridge		Until her death on 1 October 2024	
4	Emily Neighbour		18 October 2024 onwards	
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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)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
N/A		

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

N/A

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

N/A

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)	Oliver Langton Wright	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairman	
Date	18 June 2025	

The Lieder in English Foundation

Annual accounts for the period 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

Income

None

Expenditure

Date	Amount (£)	Payee	Explanation
16 Apr 2024	900	Oliver Wright	Reimbursement for Vineyard Accountants' fees for 2022 accounts
7 May 2024	900	Vineyard Accountants	Fees for 2023 accounts
Total	1,800		