



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/01/2023 Period start date To 31/12/2023 Period end date

Charity name: Golden Leaf of London

Charity registration number: 1197128

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>The objects ("the objects") for which the Charity is established are exclusively charitable according to English law and for the benefit of the public in the area of benefit in particular (and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing words) for the conservation, restoration and planting of trees, plants and all forms of wildlife including through:</p> <p>The protection and preservation of the environment for the public benefit by:</p> <p>3.1.1 the provision, maintenance or improvement of a public park, recreation ground or open space; or</p> <p>3.1.2 the provision of some other public amenity in the vicinity of a designated site;</p> <p>Provided that any public park, recreation ground, open space or public amenity provided, maintained, or improved by virtue of this clause shall not be operated for profit and the relevant conditions set out in paragraph (6) of regulation 33(2) of the Environmental Regulations are satisfied.</p> <p>The protection and preservation of the environment through the conservation or promotion of biological diversity by:</p> <p>3.2.1 the protection, conservation, restoration or enhancement of a natural habitat in the vicinity of a designated site, or</p> <p>3.2.2 the maintenance or recovery of a species in its natural habitat, on land or in water in the vicinity of a designated site,</p>

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	Uniting a disparate group of trustees and founding members to establish a desire for the regeneration of urban environment, putting together a plan to bring this about; writing the constitution and preparing for the initial phases of the charity
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Yes the trustees adhered at all times to the guidance of the charity commission

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	This was not explored at this time
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/a
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Contributions were sought by volunteers and an Easyfunding account was set up for volunteers to easily contribute financially to the charity
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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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	As life has got busier the trustees have struggled to commit the amount of time needed to progress the goals of the charity - as a result it has been decided to give the charity 6 months to show that there is a place for it before making a decision as to whether or not to close down the charity - meanwhile the fund raising is continuing in the hope that the charity can repay as much of its debt as possible
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	There has been a decided lack of interest in progressing the charity - partly because other charities have taken a lead in this space, partly because the members cannot agree a unified way forwards
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Fundraising was disappointing and the charity did not meet its targets
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/a
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	£5,000 was invested in a website (an agreement was made that if we did not raise any money we would not be liable to pay), £1,828 was paid to create a series of renders and other marketing material in order to demonstrate the charity's vision to prospects;
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	N/a at this time
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	none
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not enough money was raised
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Liz Marsh made a loan of £4000 to help the charity with ongoing payments
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	People have been keen to get involved in the charity but have not upheld their commitment in terms of services rendered

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 Easyfunding website has raised several hundreds of pounds, a paid walking tour raised some money but there was not enough support to make it a regular thing
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/a
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The challenge the charity faces is to bring about a huge project in the face of cynicism on behalf of the community responsible for the built environment; coming out of lockdown the volunteers were all struggling with time management
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
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	Potential trustees can be put forward by any volunteer; a time commitment is the main requirement along with clean record and financial qualification according to the criteria of the CC. Potential trustees must be voted in by the current board whilst not present at the meeting, according to the requirements of the CC

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	Policies and procedures were created around finance, procurement, onboarding new members etc
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	Four trustees (Sandeep Sesodia resigned in March 2023 so currently three trustees), supported by a book keeper and a leadership team of 7 people
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Golden Leaf of London
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1197128
Charity's principal address	Unit M8/9, The Flower Market, New Covent Garden Market, Vauxhall SW8 5EH

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	Elizabeth Marsh	Chair	Whole year	
2	Lenka Moore		Whole year	
3	Fiona Marsh		Whole year	
4	Sandeep Sesodia	treasurer	01/01/2023-01/03/2023	
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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

Other optional information

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)

Elizabeth Marsh

Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

20.10.2024



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Golden Leaf of London

1,197,128.00

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01 January 2023


To

31 December 2023

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					
Donations	202.83	-	-	202.83	-
Interest	0.65	-	-	0.65	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	203.48	-	-	203.48	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	203.48	-	-	203.48	-
A3 Payments					
Advertising, Marketing	-	-	-	-	-
Bank/JG charges	-	-	-	-	-
Admin support	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	203.48	-	-	203.48	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	296.26	-	-	296.26	-
Cash funds this year end	499.74	-	-	499.74	-

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	Metro Bank - 16025	344.15	-	-
	Metro Bank - 16009	155.59	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	499.74	-	-
	(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 £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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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)
	Loan from trustee	Unrestricted	4,000.00	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Elizabeth Marsh	20 Oct 24	