



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 16 November 2022

To

30 November 2023

Charity name: Old Kiln Light Railway

Charity registration number: 1201028

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	For the public benefit, to advance education in the history and significance of industrial, rural passenger and military light narrow-gauge railways including by, but not limited to, preserving, restoring, exhibiting, and operating industrial, rural passenger and military narrow-gauge railway locomotives and rolling stock and by making accessible other similar items of historical interest.
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	Running trains for visitors to experience heritage steam and diesel industrial and passenger services. Heritage stations and information displays. Preservation and restoration of locomotives.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees confirm that activities have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Not applicable.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	OKLR can only operate by volunteers maintaining and operating the locomotives, carriages, permanent way, buildings and infrastructure. We have actively sought out younger volunteers to ensure stability as the original membership are less able to contribute. This has also benefitted our public out-reach on our web-site and social media.

		Volunteers also make a financial contribution through membership subscriptions, locomotive storage rent and other fund-raising activities.
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	OKLR operated for 77 days during the reporting period with 9,897 passenger journeys. In addition, restoration work progressed on a number of locomotives, bogie coach and infrastructure improvements continued. Events held in conjunction with the Rural Life Living Museum include Village at War, several school visits and behind the scenes visits.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Widening of the demographics of the membership has been successful and will continue.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Fundraising has been stable, which was reassuring as the wider cost of living impacts have resulted in fewer visitors to the Rural Life Living Museum where OKLR operates.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Not applicable.
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	OKLR's financial position has improved by £11,664, supporting a longer-term aim to restore a historical locomotive which will require approx. £90K.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are sufficient to pay for next year's essential costs, including insurance premiums. That way we could withstand a year where we were unable to run visitor services.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£10,000
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	Ongoing discussions with our landlord, the Old Kiln Management Trust (OKMT) CIO, regarding an Operating Agreement and Lease.

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	Passenger rides on the trains. Membership fees. Public donations.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	No investments. Bank with a high street major.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Potential changes in the agreement with our landlord, the Old Kiln Management Trust CIO, regarding an Operating Agreement and Lease. Loss of volunteers resulting in visitor trains not able to be operated. Ability to operate services to continue income stream.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution following the Charity Commission's template for a Membership CIO.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Membership 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	Election by the Membership at the AGM. The OKMT may appoint one Trustee.

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	Constitution and Charity Commission guidance documents.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	Member of Heritage Rail Association. Work in close consultation with our landlord the OKMT CIO. Management Committee consist of Heads of Steam, Diesel, Carriages & Wagons, Permanent Way, Signalling & Telegraph and Buildings with Health & safety Committee Members.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	None
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Old Kiln Light Railway
Other name the charity uses	OKLR
Registered charity number	1201028
Charity's principal address	Old Kiln Light Railway near to Rural Life Living Museum Tilford FARNHAM Surrey GU10 2DL

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	Ian Poyner	Trustee	Whole year	
2	James Poyner	Trustee	Whole year	
3	Owen Harriss	Trustee	Whole year	
4	Peter Smith	Trustee	Whole year	
5	David Knott	Trustee	16 Nov 2022 – 5 Nov 2023	
6	Dawn Holloway	Trustee	16 Nov 2022 – 5 Nov 2023	
7	Thomas Synge	Trustee	16 Nov 2022 – 5 Nov 2023	
8	Bernard Hope	Trustee	16 Nov 2022 – 5 Nov 2023	
9	Gerald Cannon	Trustee	16 Nov 2022 - 31 Aug 2023	
10	John Cooksley	Trustee	12 June 2023 – 30 November 2023	Old Kiln Museum Trust CIO
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
Not applicable		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
Not applicable		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	Not applicable.
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	Not applicable.
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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)	Ian Poyner	Owen Harriss
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	Trustee
Date	27 September 2024	



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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	16-Nov-22	To	30-Nov-23
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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					
Fares and general donations	21,000	-	-	21,000	-
Membership subscriptions	1,725	-	-	1,725	-
Donations (Pamela locomotive)	-	689	-	689	-
Fundraising (Pamela locomotive)	-	40	-	40	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	22,725	729	-	23,454	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	22,725	729	-	23,454	-
A3 Payments					
Locomotive repairs	737	-	-	737	-
Restoration and preservation costs	1,570	-	-	1,570	-
Running costs	4,407	-	-	4,407	-
Utilities and ground rent	515	-	-	515	-
Public Liability insurance	2,309	-	-	2,309	-
HRA and website	214	-	-	214	-
Plant & Eqpt & Property Maintenance	797	-	-	797	-
Card machine costs	392	-	-	392	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	10,941	-	-	10,941	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	10,941	-	-	10,941	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	11,784	729	-	12,513	-
A5 Transfers between funds	- 119	119	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	20,856	7,586	-	28,442	-
Cash funds this year end	32,521	8,434	-	40,955	-

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 account	30,796	8,434	-
	Cash	1,725	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	32,521	8,434	-
	(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 £
	Money held by Museum	5,560	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Not Applicable		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Elouise steam locomotive		-	150,000
	Pamela steam locomotive		-	50,000
	Champion 36 diesel		-	7,000
	Simplex 8981 diesel		-	6,000
	Track and Infrastructure		-	40,000
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	None		-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	Ian Poyner	Ian Poyner	26/09/2024	