

THE WILLIAM LITHGOW FOUNDATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1201772

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2023-01-30

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CHARITY ARE TO ADVANCE SUCH CHARITABLE PURPOSES (ACCORDING TO THE LAW OF ENGLAND AND WALES) AS THE CHARITY TRUSTEES SEE FIT FROM TIME TO TIME.

Activities: Grant-making support to selected causes based & operating in England, particularly East Anglia & North London. Areas of focus include: disability equipment (especially if outdoor or animal related), environmental projects & food distribution/waste reduction.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- Throughout England

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£112,000	£112,515	-	-
2024-03-31	£74,000	£72,154	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Sheena Ellwood	Chair	2022-08-30
Andrew Graham Wiseman		2022-08-30
Louis English		2022-08-30

THE WILLIAM LITHGOW FOUNDATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1201772

Accounts



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

The William Lithgow Foundation

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1201772

Set out on pages

TAR (Pages 1 – 7) and CC16a

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~ *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn 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:

Neil Harding

Date:

03.10.2025

Name:

Neil Harding FCA

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

ICAEW

Address:

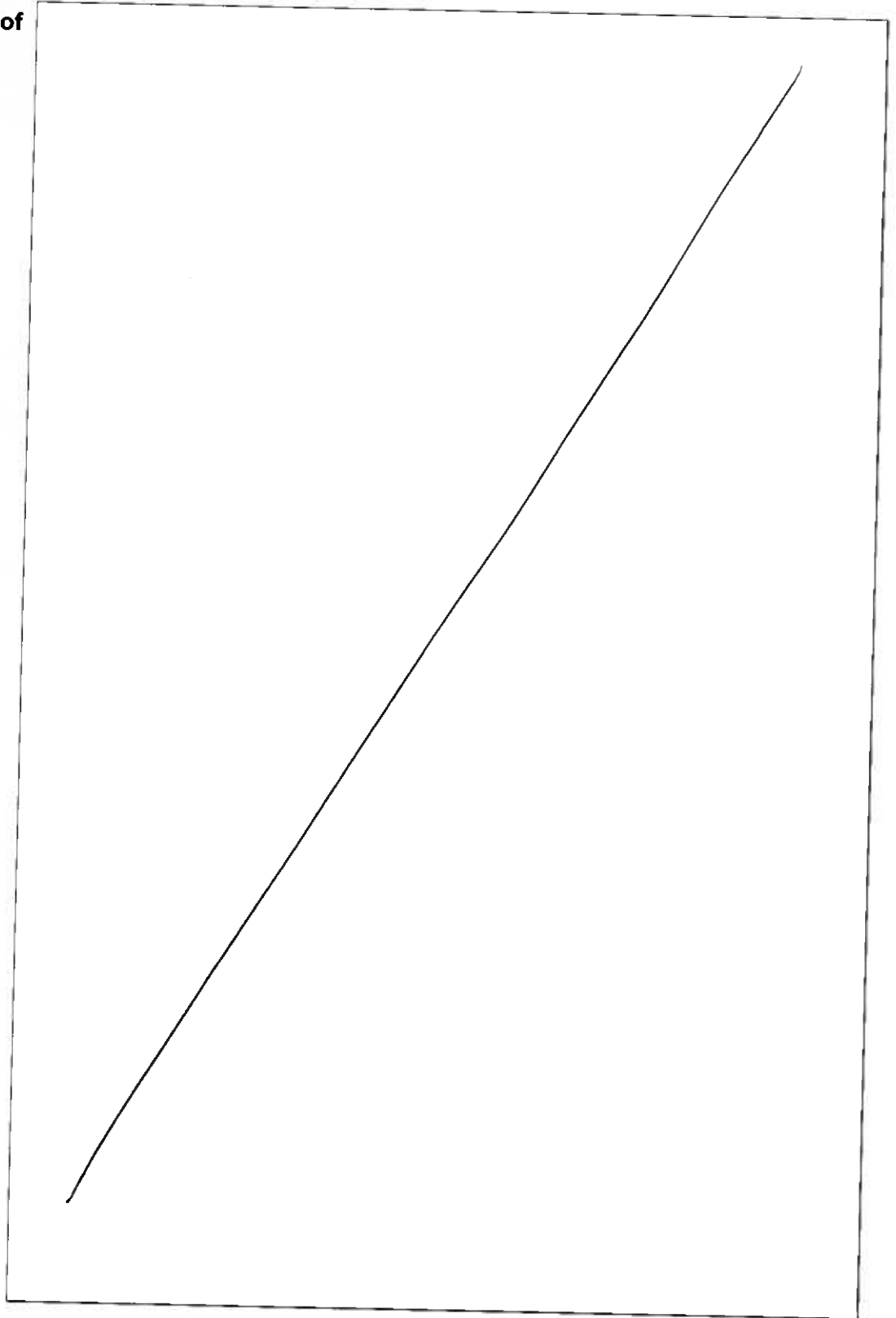
Croft Chambers, 11 Bancroft,

Hitchin,

Herts. SG5 1JQ

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.





Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01-04-24 Period start date To 31-03-25 Period end date

Charity name: The William Lithgow Foundation

Charity registration number: 1201772

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	General charitable purposes, making grants to individuals & organisations within England.
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	Following research & discussion by the Trustees, grants have been made to selected causes, principally in Disability Support (adapted equipment & special training). Others include two Foodbank upgrades; also one End of Life care grant.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	In line with the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit, we carefully select causes where specific, tangible needs are identified & fully costed. We do not make non-specific donations to 'general running costs'.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
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	<p>Following background research, applicant verification & discussion at Trustee meetings, main grant beneficiaries & support for the period include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adaptation of clothing for disabled pupils, specifically the school uniform project to produce 100 bespoke garments for additional needs students. 2. Part fit-out of three new conversions to supported living homes for Autism Bedfordshire: autistic residents & carers. 3. Equipment grant for people disabled by Spinal Muscular Atrophy; 78 registered beneficiaries in 2023/24. 4. Automated beds, mattresses & pumps (two complete sets) for End of Life palliative care in a Bedfordshire hospice.

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	Funds have been issued out to chosen causes as & when available. Account balance at 31 st March 25 was £1331.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves should be minimal, but keeping sufficient in current account for routine running expenses.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Typically around £1,000 - £2,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
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	CIO Constitution
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	Appointed by existing Trustees.

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	The William Lithgow Foundation
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1201772
Charity's principal address	Essex House, The Street, Latchingdon, Essex CM3 6JP.

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	Sheena Ellwood	Chair		
2	Louis English	Treasurer		
3	Andrew Graham Wiseman	Secretary		
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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
Accountant	Bradshaw Johnson	Croft Chambers, 11 Bancroft, Hitchin SG5 1JQ.
Legal	Sherrards Solicitors	4 Beaconsfield Road, St Albans, AL1 3RD.

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)	Sheena Ellwood	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	30.07.25	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

The William Lithgow Foundation.

1201772

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

1st April 2024

To

31st March 2025

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 from individuals	112,000	-	-	112,000	74,000
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	112,000	-	-	112,000	74,000
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	112,000	-	-	112,000	74,000
A3 Payments					
Professional fees	240	-	-	240	2,160
Insurance	33	-	-	33	34
Donations to Charities	112,242	-	-	112,242	69,960
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	112,515	-	-	112,515	72,154
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	112,515	-	-	112,515	72,154
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 515	-	-	- 515	1,846
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,846	-	-	1,846	-
Cash funds this year end	1,331	-	-	1,331	1,846

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	Cash at Bank	1,331	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	1,331	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

CCXX R1 accounts (SS)

Signature

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Print Name

Sheena Ellwood

Date of approval

29/09/2025

THE WILLIAM LITHGOW FOUNDATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1201772

Accounts



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity name
The William Lithgow Foundation

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2024
**Charity no
(if any)** 1201772

Set out on pages

CC16a and TAR (Pages 1-5)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2024.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

**Independent
examiner's statement**

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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

Signed: Neil Harding

Date: 22-8-24

Name: Neil Harding FCA

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

Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

Address: Croft Chambers, 11 Bancroft, Hitchin, Herts. SG5 1JQ

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

30th January 2023

To

31st March 2024

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 from individuals	74,000	-	-	74,000	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	74,000	-	-	74,000	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	74,000	-	-	74,000	-
A3 Payments					
Professional fees	2,160	-	-	2,160	-
Insurance	34	-	-	34	-
Donations to Charities	69,960	-	-	69,960	-
Sub total	72,154	-	-	72,154	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	72,154	-	-	72,154	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,846	-	-	1,846	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	1,846	-	-	1,846	-

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	Cash at bank	1,846	-	-
	Total cash funds	1,846	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees				
	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Sheena Ellwood	15/8/24	





Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date **30 January 2023** Period end date **31 March 2024**
 From To

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name **The William Lithgow Foundation**

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) **1201772**

Charity's principal address **Essex House, The Street,
 Latchingdon,
 Chelmsford
 Postcode **CM3 6JP****

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)
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Accountancy	Bradshaw Johnson	Craft Chambers, 11 Bancroft, Hitchin. SG5 1JQ
Legal	Sherrards	4 Beaconsfield Road, St Albans. AL1 3RD

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document <small>(eg. trust deed, constitution)</small>	CIO constitution
How the charity is constituted <small>(eg. trust, association, company)</small>	CIO
Trustee selection methods <small>(eg. appointment, election)</small>	Appointed by existing Trustees.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

General charitable purposes, making grants to individuals & organisations.
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In line with the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit, we have sought to support carefully selected causes where a specific, tangible need has been identified, fully detailed & costed. We do not make non-specific donations to applicants' 'general running costs' in any circumstance. Our main beneficiaries by significant majority have been the disabled/under-privileged community, of all ages. We prioritise causes local to the Trustees (Beds/Herts/Cambs/Essex & N London) but are not restricted to this area, so long as within England.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Following research, discussion & consideration of each potential beneficiary, grants have been made for the following purposes:

- Mobility equipment for outdoor adventure centres for users with various disabilities. (Essex & Northumberland)
- Refurbishment of a sensory garden in an environmental/forest management park (Beds)
- 12 months' aftercare support for beneficiaries of Autism Dogs (Beds/Herts/Essex)
- Funding for one rugby tour for physically & mentally disabled youth (Saracens Youth, N London)
- Funding the After-school club at the Pony Academy (British Racing School, Newmarket) for under privileged children (Suffolk)
- Replacement engine for one Disabled Sailing craft to enable it to be put back into service.
- Disability equipment for local hospice (Essex)
- IT equipment for a manufacturer of custom-made, disability-adapted equipment (N London based)
- Freezer installation for a N London Foodbank to improve food distribution & reduce waste.
- Six month funding of books & readers for children in hospital (Addenbrooks).

Section E**Financial review**

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves should be minimal, keeping sufficient current account funds for minor running expenses; otherwise issuing funds out to chosen causes, as & when available.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may **choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F**Other optional information****Section G****Declaration**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Sheena Ellwood

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

15/8/24