

LLEWELLYN EDWARDS BELL RESTORATION FUND

England & Wales · Charity number 270529

Details

Other names LEBRF

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1975-12-18

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

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Activities

Objects: 1.2.1. THE RESTORATION AND AUGMENTATION OF EXISTING PEALS OF BELLS. 1.2.2. THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS FROM REDUNDANT CHURCHES. 1.2.3. THE PROVISION OF NEW PEALS OF BELLS. 1.2.4. OTHER MAJOR REPAIRS TO BELLS, FRAMES AND FITTINGS AND THE MAINTENANCE OF THE FABRIC OF TOWERS AND BELFRIES.

Activities: To assist both active and redundant Churches within the Diocese of Salisbury to: Restore and augment existing peals of bells, preserve bells from redundant churches, provide new rings of bells and undertake repairs to bells, frames and fittings and to the fabric of towers and belfries.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** DIOCESE OF SALISBURY
- Dorset
- Wiltshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£668,411	£37,378	£909,212	0
2024-12-31	£17,268	£15,845	-	-
2023-12-31	£28,582	£50,318	-	-
2022-12-31	£125,979	£14,520	-	-
2021-12-31	£9,553	£18,290	-	-
2020-12-31	£13,983	£7,600	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ANDY WARING	Chair	2018-02-11
ANTHONY CHRISTOPHER DAVID LOVELL-WOOD		2012-01-25
Christine Anne Willis		2023-01-01
JOHN RILEY		2017-02-26
Jeremy Hugh Stanford		2026-01-24
KEN WEBB		
LOUISE ANN GAY		2019-01-26
Louisa Stuckey		2024-10-05
MICHAEL JOHN DILLISTONE		2015-01-01

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LEBRF Trustees' Report 2025

The Llewellyn Edwards Bell Restoration Fund, Registered Charity no 270529 in the UK, makes grants towards the restoration and augmentation of church bells in the Diocese of Salisbury. Over the last 5 years we have paid out grants totalling over £136,000.

The LEBRF Trustees are appointed annually, one from each Branch and one from the Guild Officers, with the Chair of Trustees being Andy Waring.

The Trustees for 2025 were:

Calne:	Ken Webb	Mere:	Keith Woodward
Devizes:	Anne Willis	Marlborough:	Louisa Stuckey
Dorchester:	Michael Dillistone	Salisbury:	Louise Gay
E Dorset:	John Riley	W Dorset:	Andy Waring
Guild:	Anthony Lovell-Wood		

The only change to the LEBRF Trustees in 2025 was the cessation of the role of Channel Islands LEBRF Trustee, for fiscal reasons, and the LEBRF Trustees would like to thank Jennifer Hill for her input during her tenure as CI LEBRF Trustee.

The LEBRF was very active with grants during 2025:

- The LEBRF Trustees approved grants of over £44,500 to 8 churches in the Salisbury Guild during 2025
- A significant bells renovation project supported by LEBRF grants in 2025 was at Frampton (Dorchester) where they undertook a complete re-hang onto roller bearings with new metal headstocks, new wheels and bell-fittings. These works have secured the integrity of the (previously notoriously difficult) Frampton bells for many years to come, and allow the band, which was formed in 2022, to ring regularly and more easily.
- In total, over £37,300 was paid out in LEBRF Grants to 10 churches throughout the Salisbury Guild during 2025, to keep their bells ringing for many years to come

A very large bequest from the Will of the late Ann Abrahams early in 2025 has meant that the LEBRF Trustees can now allocate larger Grants than in previous years to eligible bells projects. This large bequest has required a more complex set of Annual Accounts to be prepared, and the LEBRF Trustees would like to thank both Ken Webb and the Independent Accounts Examiner, Richard Picker, for their work in ensuring that the LEBRF Year-End 2025 Accounts were compliant and in the Charities Commission proscribed format.

All donations - large and small - to the LEBRF are greatly appreciated by the LEBRF Trustees. You can donate online to the LEBRF at any time, and the money will be put to good use restoring church bells within the Guild: <https://www.justgiving.com/llewellynedwardsbellrestoration>. If you are planning a bells project, please do apply for an LEBRF grant to kick-start your fundraising: <https://sdgr.org.uk/lebrf-apply-for-a-grant/>.

Andy Waring, Chair of LEBRF Trustees

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Section A Statement of financial activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total this year	Total last year
	£	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources					
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	655,660			655,660	
Charitable activities				0	
Other trading activities	1,886			1,886	
Investments	10,865			10,865	
Total	668,411	0	0	668,411	
Resources expended					
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds				0	
Charitable activities	(37,378)			(37,378)	
Total	(37,378)	0	0	(37,378)	
Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)	631,033	0	0	631,033	
Net gains/(losses) on investments	0		2,101	2,101	
Net income / (expenditure)	631,033	0	2,101	633,134	
Extraordinary items				0	
Transfers between funds				0	
Other recognised gains / (losses)					
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for own use				0	
Other gains / (losses)				0	
Net movement in funds	631,033	0	2,101	633,134	
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward	158,353		117,725	276,078	
Total funds carried forward	789,386	0	119,826	909,212	

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Section B Balance Sheet

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total this year £	Total last year £
<u>Fixed Assets</u>					
Investments	213,885		119,826	333,711	
<i>Total Fixed assets</i>	213,885	0	119,826	333,711	
<u>Current assets</u>					
Debtors			0	0	
Investments	493,781		0	493,781	
Cash at bank and in hand	107,151		0	107,151	
<i>Total current assets</i>	600,932	0	0	600,932	
Creditors: falling due within one year	(25,431)	0	0	(25,431)	
<i>Net current assets / (liabilities)</i>	575,501	0	0	575,501	
<i>Total assets less current liabilities</i>	789,386	0	119,826	909,212	
Creditors: falling due after one year	0			0	
Provisions for liabilities	0			0	
<i>Total net assets / (liabilities)</i>	789,386	0	119,826	909,212	
Funds of the Charity					
Endowment funds			117,725	117,725	
Restricted income				0	
Unrestricted funds	789,386			789,386	
Revaluation reserve			2,101	2,101	
	789,386	0	119,826	909,212	

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Section C

Notes to the accounts 2025

Note 3

Analysis of Income

		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total this year £	Total last year £
Donations and legacies:						
Donations and gifts		3,909			3,909	3,426
Gift Aid					0	
Legacies		650,500			650,500	
Membership subscriptions		1,251			1,251	
	Total	655,660	0	0	655,660	
Charitable activities:						
	Total	0	0	0	0	
Other trading activities.						
LEBRF Open Day	Total	1,886	0	0	1,886	
Income from investments:						
Interest income		7,347			7,347	
Dividend income		3,518			3,518	
	Total	10,865	0	0	10,865	
Other						
	Total	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL INCOME		668,411	0	0	668,411	

Within the income items above the following items are material:

A receipt of £650,000 funds from a legacy.

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the
Llewellyn Edwards Bell Restoration Fund, Charity No. 270529**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Respective responsibilities

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- To follow procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) of the 2011 Act; and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions of the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as trustees, concerning all such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required for an audit, and consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

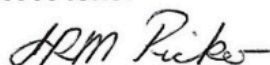
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1. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - To keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act 2011 Act; and
 - To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act, have not been met; or
2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

J R M Picker

Dated

20 February 2026



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The Llewellyn Edwards Bell Restoration Fund, Registered Charity no 270529 in the UK, makes grants towards the restoration and augmentation of church bells in the Diocese of Salisbury. Over the last 5 years we have paid out grants totalling over £108,000.

The LEBRF Trustees are appointed annually, one from each Branch and one from the Guild Officers, with the Chair of Trustees being Andy Waring.

The Trustees for 2023 were:

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Devizes:	Anne Willis	Marlborough:	David Close
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Channel Islands:	Jennifer Hill	Guild:	Anthony Lovell-Wood

With bell-hangers catching-up with their backload of post-Covid projects, the LEBRF was very active with grants during 2023:

- The LEBRF Trustees approved grants of over £57,000 to 12 churches in the Salisbury Guild during 2023 – this made 2023 & 2022 the highest ever granting years for the Charity. This level of investment was only made possible by the generous Lucas Family Legacy which the LEBRF received in 2022, and which will continue to fund worthwhile bells projects in the Salisbury Guild into the future.
- One of the largest bells renovation projects, at St Mary's, Calne was completed successfully - supported by LEBRF grants - and they held their Rededication Service on 10 September 2023.
- In total, over £50,000 was paid out in LEBRF Grants to 8 churches throughout the Salisbury Guild during 2023, to keep their bells ringing for many years to come.

Without the Lucas Family Legacy, the LEBRF's income in 2023 would have been in line with that of previous years (income has remained at between £10k-£15k per annum for several years), with online JustGiving donations boosting the traditional sources of income like Open Days, Peal Fees, raffles, Tower donations etc. The Trustees would like to thank the Independent Accounts Examiner, Richard Picker, for his report on the LEBRF Year-End 2023 Accounts.

The LEBRF Trustees are grateful to the members of the Guild for their donations – you can donate online to the LEBRF at any time, and the money will be put to good use restoring church bells within the Guild: <https://www.justgiving.com/lewellynedwardsbellrestoration>. If you are planning a bells project, please do apply for an LEBRF grant to kick-start your fundraising: <https://sdgr.org.uk/lebrf-apply-for-a-grant/>.

Andrew Waring, Chair of LEBRF Trustees

Llewellyn Edwards Bell Restoration Fund Accounts 2023

2022	£	£	2023
		Income from the Branches	
	220.00	Calne	0.00
	937.00	Devizes	532.00
	1,029.00	Dorchester	143.00
	457.00	East Dorset	402.00
	196.60	Marlborough	160.00
	459.00	Mere	453.00
	929.00	Salisbury	271.00
4,738.45	510.85	West Dorset	697.13
		Other Income	
	490.00	Open Day	1,500.00
	115,000.00	Bequests and In Memoriam	13,525.02
	73.75	Gift aid refund	162.75
	816.50	Guild	796.50
	0.00	Guild Quiz / Raffle	126.50
		Just Giving donations;	
		www.easyfundraising.org.uk donations; CAF	
	256.55	donations	2,046.88
	30.00	Individuals Donations	570.05
	0.00	Donations via MemberMojo shop *NEW FOR 2023	9.75
116,752.80	86.00	Peal Fees	211.00
		Interest	
	3,365.62	Charities Official Investment Fund 2021	3,378.64
		NEW Lloyds 1-Yr Fixed Term/rate Deposit	
	326.12	Account (opened 31 May 2023)	0.00
		NEW Lloyds Instant Access Account (opened	
	0.00	June 2023)	152.37
	0.00	Bath B/soc 1-Yr Business Bond (closed 7/2021)	0.00
	156.48	Monmouth B/soc	937.72
		Lloyds 1-Yr Fixed Term/Fixed Rate Deposit	
	0.00	(CLOSED MAY 2023)	1,420.27
	458.14	Cambridge & Counties Bank 95-Day Notice Accou	1,009.73
	181.13	HTB 95-Day Notice Account	77.07
4,487.49			
			6,975.80
			total Interest
125,978.74		Income	28,582.38
		Grants Paid 2023	
		St Peter's, Shaftesbury	(350.00)
		Fittleton	(1,400.00)
		South Wraxall	(6,000.00)
		Calne	(26,500.00)
		Bromham	(5,300.00)
		Spetisbury	(600.00)
		Calne Grant of Last Resort	(3,318.30)
		Gt Bedwyn (#5 repairs)	(3,200.00)
		Gt Bedwyn (sound reduction)	(1,800.00)
		St Huberts, Corfe Mullen	(1,850.00)
(14,520.00)		Expenditure	(50,318.30)
111,458.74		Excess of expenditure over income	(21,735.92)
184,931.68		Balance as at 31 December 2022	296,390.42
111,458.74		Excess of expenditure over income	(21,735.92)
296,390.42		Balance as at 31 December 2023	274,654.50
		This balance was represented by:	
	6,418.15	Lloyds	3,500.06
		Monmouth Building Society Instant Access A/c	
	35,899.59	CLOSED OCTOBER 2023	0.00
	117,725.00	COIF Charities Investment Fund 2021	117,725.00
		Cambridge & Counties Bank 95-Day Account	
	75,000.00	CLOSED JUNE 2023	0.00
	0.00	*NEW* Cambridge & Counties 5-yr Fixed Rate Bor	20,000.00
	0.00	*NEW* Cambridge & Counties 3-yr Fixed Rate Bor	40,000.00
	0.00	*NEW* HTB 1-Year Bond	45,000.00
		Lloyds 1-Yr Fixed Term/Fixed Rate Deposit	
	80,000.00	CLOSED ON MATURITY MAY 2023	0.00
		NEW Lloyds 1-Yr Fixed Term/Rate Deposit	
	0.00	Account	10,000.00
		NEW Lloyds 6-Mths Fixed Term Deposit	
	0.00	Account	30,000.00
	5,000.00	*NEW* HTB 2-Yr Bond	5,077.07
	0.00	*NEW* Lloyds Instant Access Savings Account	18,852.37
	(23,652.32)	Interest free loans: SDGR, Branches & Towers	(15,500.00)
296,390.42		Deposits	274,654.50
	(69,900.00)	Grants outstanding	(51,040.00)
226,490.42		Total assets	223,614.50

Saturday, 13 January 2024

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I report on the accounts of the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Respective responsibilities

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J R M Picker FCCA



Chartered Certified Accountant

Dated: 23/01/2024

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LEBRF 2022 - FOR SDGR REPORT AND HANDBOOK

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Woodward			
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		Guild:	Anthony Lovell-Wood

With the retirement of Peter Baker from the Devizes LEBRF Trustee role at the end of December 2022, Anne Willis was elected as his replacement by the Branch. We would like to commend Peter for his sterling work with the LEBRF over many years and to welcome Anne in her new role.

The Trustees would like to thank the Independent Accounts Examiner, Richard Picker from Hampreston, who took over from the previous IAE Christopher Sykes in 2021.

In summary, during 2022:

- The LEBRF received income of £125,979 (of which £115,000 came from an incredibly generous legacy from the Lucas Family)
- Approved grants to 6 towers for a total of £63,000
- Paid out grants totalling £14,520 to 5 towers

Thank you for your continued support for the LEBRF, especially during these difficult times following the Covid-19 pandemic. The Trustees hope to be able to offer more generous grants to support bells restoration projects throughout the Salisbury Guild from 2023, due to the generosity of the Lucas Family and their bequest to the LEBRF.

The Trustees were saddened to hear of the death of Eric Hitchins in December 2022 – Eric had used his 90th birthday as an opportunity to raise thousands of pounds for the LEBRF, a charity very close to his heart. May he rest in peace.

Any additional donations will always be very welcome, thank you. You can donate at any time via our Just Giving page:

<https://www.justgiving.com/llewellynedwardsbellrestoration>

Andy Waring, Chair of LEBRF Trustees
21 January 2023

Llewellyn Edwards Bell Restoration Fund Accounts 2022

2021	£	£	2022
		Income from the Branches	
	330.00	220.00	
	194.00	937.00	
	112.40	1,029.00	
	142.00	457.00	
	0.00	196.60	
	350.00	459.00	
	20.00	929.00	
1,260.35	111.95	510.85	4,738.45 <u>total Income from Branches</u>
		Other Income	
	0.00	490.00	
	128.30	115,000.00	
	0.00	73.75	
	747.85	816.50	
	0.00	0.00	
		Just Giving donations; www.easyfundraising.org.uk donations; CAF	
	3,459.31	256.55	
	585.00	30.00	
4,982.46	62.00	86.00	116,752.80 <u>total Other Income</u>
		Interest	
	1,469.90	3,365.62	
	0.00	326.12	
	1,060.50	0.00	
	675.40	0.00	
	104.59	156.48	
	0.00	0.00	
	0.00	458.14	
	0.00	181.13	
3,310.39			4,487.49 <u>total Interest</u>
9,553.20			125,978.74
		Income	
		Grants Paid	
			(5,350.00)
			(3,020.00)
			(50.00)
			(5,700.00)
			(400.00)
(18,290.00)			(14,520.00)
		Expenditure	
(8,736.80)			111,458.74
		Excess of income over expenditure	
193,668.48			184,931.68
(8,736.80)			111,458.74
184,931.68			296,390.42
		This balance was represented by:	
	2,328.58	6,418.15	
	28,899.59	35,899.59	
	117,725.00	117,725.00	
	0.00	75,000.00	
	0.00	80,000.00	
	35,000.00	0.00	
	25,000.00	5,000.00	
(24,021.49)		(23,652.32)	
184,931.68			296,390.42
		Deposits	
(41,970.00)		(69,900.00)	
142,961.68			226,490.42
		Total assets	

Thursday, 5 January 2023

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