

## 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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**Accounts for the period 1st January to 31st December 2025**

**Section A Statement of financial activities**

	Unrestricted	Restricted		Total	Total
	funds	income	Endowment	this year	last year
	£	funds	funds	£	£
<b>Incoming resources</b>					
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	
<b>Total</b>	668,411	0	0	668,411	
<b>Resources expended</b>					
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds				0	
Charitable activities	(37,378)			(37,378)	
<b>Total</b>	(37,378)	0	0	(37,378)	
<b>Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)</b>	631,033	0	0	631,033	
Net gains/(losses) on investments	0		2,101	2,101	
<b>Net income / (expenditure)</b>	631,033	0	2,101	633,134	
<b>Extraordinary items</b>				0	
<b>Transfers between funds</b>				0	
<b>Other recognised gains / (losses)</b>					
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for own use				0	
Other gains / (losses)				0	
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	631,033	0	2,101	633,134	
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>					
Total funds brought forward	158,353		117,725	276,078	
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	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 £
<b><u>Fixed Assets</u></b>					
Investments	213,885		119,826	333,711	
<i>Total Fixed assets</i>	213,885	0	119,826	333,711	
<b><u>Current assets</u></b>					
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	
<b>Funds of the Charity</b>					
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

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Analysis of Income

		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total this year £	Total last year £
<b>Donations and legacies:</b>						
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	
<b>Charitable activities:</b>	Total	0	0	0	0	
<b>Other trading activities.</b>						
LEBRF Open Day	Total	1,886	0	0	1,886	
<b>Income from investments:</b>						
Interest income		7,347			7,347	
Dividend income		3,518			3,518	
	Total	10,865	0	0	10,865	
<b>Other</b>	Total	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		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**

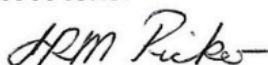
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

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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