

# ROTARY CLUB OF BIDEFORD CHARITY FUND

England & Wales · Charity number 282650

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Trust

**Registered** 1981-07-15

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

## Contact

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**Address** Thatched Inn  
Abbotsham  
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Devon  
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**Website** [www.bidefordrotary.uk](http://www.bidefordrotary.uk)

## Activities

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**Objects:** TO APPLY BOTH THE CAPITAL AND INCOME OF THE CHARITY FUND TO OR FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE POOR AND NEEDY OR TO OR FOR THE BENEFIT OF SUCH CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS SOCIETIES OR OBJECTS AS THE COUNCIL OF THE CLUB SHALL FROM TIME TO TIME DIRECT.

**Activities:** To encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise. To enable fund raising, volunteering and sponsorship of local, national and international causes.

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources, Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Animals, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Devon

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-06-30	£16,543	£18,588	-	-
2024-06-30	£23,201	£22,447	-	-
2023-06-30	£46,147	£42,039	-	-
2022-06-30	£20,480	£16,555	-	-
2021-06-30	£13,122	£17,412	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
MARTIN JAMES WRIGHT		2016-05-08
Michael Hudson		2022-07-06

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# Accounts

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**Section A Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
Rotary Club of Bideford

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

30 June 2023  
Charity no (if any) 282650

**Set out on pages**

3 and 4  
(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

**Responsibilities and  
basis of report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30 June 2023  
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 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.

**Signed:**

*MC Palmer*

**Date:**

9 November 2023

**Name:**

M C Palmer

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

**Address:**

3 Clifton Court Cornborough Road

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Devon EX39 1AD

**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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CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name  
**Rotary Club of Bideford**

NC (if any)  
252650

**Receipts and payments accounts**

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For the period from	Period start date 01/07/2022	To	Period end date 30/06/2023
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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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Members subscriptions	4,816	-	-	4,816	3,792
Fundraising	27,443	13,768	-	41,211	21,202
Donations	-	-	-	-	-
Interest	120	-	-	120	14
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>32,379</b>	<b>13,768</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>46,147</b>	<b>25,008</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>32,379</b>	<b>13,768</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>46,147</b>	<b>25,008</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Cost of Fundraising	5,140	-	-	5,140	-
Affiliations	3,856	-	-	3,856	2,730
Club running costs	2,839	-	-	2,839	2,928
Charitable costs	20	-	-	20	40
	-	-	-	-	-
Donations	18,543	11,641	-	30,184	16,702
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>30,398</b>	<b>11,641</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>42,039</b>	<b>22,400</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>30,398</b>	<b>11,641</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>42,039</b>	<b>22,400</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>1,981</b>	<b>2,127</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,108</b>	<b>2,608</b>
A5 Transfers between funds	-	1,581	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	16,709	648	-	17,357	14,749
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>17,109</b>	<b>4,356</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21,465</b>	<b>17,357</b>



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date	Period end date
<b>From</b>	01 JULY 2022	<b>To</b> 30 JUNE 2024

## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name** Rotary Club of Bideford

**Other names charity is known by**

**Registered charity number (if any)** 282650

**Charity's principal address**

C/o The Royal Hotel
BIDEFORD
Devon
<b>Postcode</b> EX39 4AE

### 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	M HUDSON			Club members
2	M WRIGHT			Club members
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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

**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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	HSBC Accounts	17,109	4,356	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>17,109</b>	<b>4,356</b>	<b>-</b>

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	MIKE HUDSON	7/12/23
	MARION WRIGHT	7/12/23

**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)**

Second:- High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

Third:- The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

Fourth:- The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace, through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

#### **KEY OBJECTIVES**

To comply with the Rotarian Four Way Test

- Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Is it the truth?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

Due to tide dates we had two Bideford Water Festivals and cardboard boat regattas within this year. We provided a lot of pleasure and entertainment for the public, we Rotarians had great fun, many good causes benefitted, and our image and public awareness went up several notches. Weather permitting we are hopeful that this year the Water Festival will prove equally rewarding.

The Presidents Party was another joyful occasion when we were joined by fellow Rotarians and their partners. A lot of hard work went into the organisation of the evening and their visit, but the weather was kind, the food was excellent, and the fun and fellowship great.

In making donations of funds raised the members and trustees take into account the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

**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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**Section B Structure, governance and management**

**Description of the charity's trusts**

Type of governing document <small>(eg trust deed, constitution)</small>	Club Constitution and Standing Orders
How the charity is constituted <small>(eg trust, association, company)</small>	Club
Trustee selection methods <small>(eg appointed by, elected by)</small>	Long standing members with sufficient knowledge of the Club elected by the membership.

**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**

TO ENCOURAGE AND FOSTER THE IDEAL OF SERVICE AS A BASIS OF WORTHY ENTERPRISE AND FUND RAISING AND SPONSORSHIP OF LOCAL CAUSES.

**OBJECTIVES AND ORGANISATION**

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:-

First:- The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The club's fund raising income for the year was £41,211 (2022- £21,202), the year was boosted by us having two Water Festivals within the Rotary year. Funds were also raised and passed on to the Rotary Foundation some specifically for the eradication of Polio this funding is ongoing.

During the year grants totalling £30,184 (2022-£16,702) were given and funds from the Water Festivals continue to be distributed to local causes into the new Rotary year. A successful "70s Night" Disco was held and £2,545 was raised which enabled the club to donate £3,000 to The Children's Hospice South West. A further £1,000 was donated to the North Devon Hospice.

The club's committees continued to work very hard to raise funds from various activities and organise events including specifically those for the youth of the area and helping to fund the new sensory room at a local school.

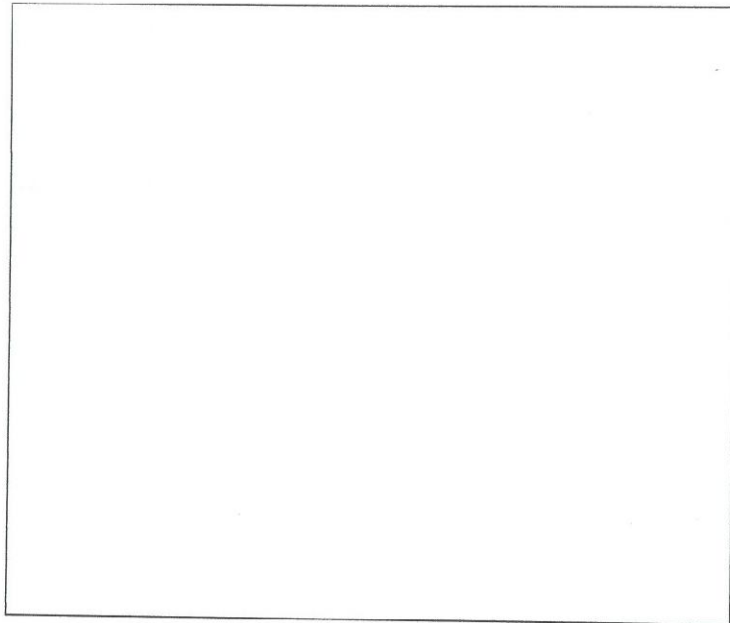
Funds are generally raised for causes supported by Rotary but funds are sometimes raised specifically for Shelter Box. These funds are considered to be restricted and are passed on to The Shelterbox Trust on a regular basis. In the year £8,291 was forwarded to The Shelter Box Trust of which £1,951 was specifically for those suffering following the earthquake in Turkey and Syria. The balance at the year end was passed to the trust in 2023/24 with other funds raised for the cause.

### FUTURE PLANS

The various teams are planning their programmes for 2023/24 which include Youth Speaks, Young Chef and Young Writer competitions also a 2024 Water Festival a community event.

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

**Section E Financial review**

**Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

**RESERVES POLICY**

The club raises funds for distribution for charitable purposes and in general distributes all those funds in a timely manner so reserves are not maintained.

The club fund is the only reserve maintained over a number of years to meet the expenses of visiting Rotarians from the club's overseas contact clubs in Biddeford -Saco USA and Uelzen Germany. As these visits only occur every few years reserves are maintained and rolled forward until needed. The club's policy is to maintain an adequate but not excessive reserve to meet the costs of the visits.

It is the club's centenary in 2025 so a reserve is being built to help fund events and visits from other Rotarians from members weekly raffles.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

**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)	JOANNA ALLEN	JOHN EDDIE
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	SECRETARY	PRESIDENT
Date	7 December 2023	