



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **01/07/2024** Period start date To **30/06/2025**
Period end date

Charity name: **T. E. Lawrence Society**

Charity registration number: **297940**

Objectives and Activities

SORP reference

Summary of the purposes
of the charity as set out in
its governing document

Para 1.17

**To advance the education of the public
in the life and works of T E Lawrence**

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

To publish the useful results thereof.

**To hold a bi-annual symposium and
stage visits and talks throughout the
year.**

Statement confirming
whether the trustees have
had regard to the guidance
issued by the Charity
Commission on public
benefit

Para 1.18

**Trustees are mindful of Charity
Commission guidance and aim to
comply.**

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where
relevant about:

SORP reference

N/A

Policy on grant making

Para 1.38

N/A

Policy on social investment
including program related
investment

Para 1.38

The Society is run by volunteers.

Contribution made by volunteers

Para 1.38

Other

Achievements and Performance

<div>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.</div> <div>Para 1.20</div>	<div>SORP reference</div> <div><p>The Society has continued to achieve its aims, locally, nationally and internationally. Local groups in Dorset, London and North America arranged a series of events related to T E Lawrence's life and friendships. A successful Symposium was held at the RAF Museum, Hendon in September 2024. Around 90 members and non members enjoyed presentations from eight presenters as well as tours of the museum to see artefacts related to TEL. In May 2025 a series of events took place in Wareham and at the graveside in Moreton to mark the 90th anniversary of TEL's death and in June the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Society was marked with an international Zoom talk The North America group arranged 3 Zoom lectures in conjunction with the National World War I Museum and Memorial, Kansas, which were open to members and non-members.</p><p>The Society published two, highly regarded, Journal containing a mix of academic and non-academic articles on TEL and related matters. In addition we published 3 newsletters, containing news items, book reviews etc. We are currently planning for our next Symposium in Oxford in September 2026.</p><p>With nearly 600 members worldwide we continue to achieve our aim of advancing the education of the public in the life and works of TE Lawrence.</p></div>
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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 **The raising of our subscription rates have helped stabilise our finances, and will cover all commitments.**

Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held

Para 1.22 **Our Reserves are ring fenced in a separate account and are roughly equal to our largest invoice.**

Amount of reserves held

Para 1.22 **£20,000**

Reasons for holding zero reserves

Para 1.22 **N/A**

Details of fund materially in deficit

Para 1.24 **N/A**

Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern

Para 1.23 **N/A**

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Our main source of funding is our

subscriptions.

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)

Para 1.47

N/A

Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted

Para 1.46

To be able to cover the costs of our publications and symposia.

A description of the principal risks facing the charity

Para 1.46

Other

The Society has certain tangible assets which have either been gifted to or purchased by the Society. These are held on loan by two institutions: Magdalen College, and Wareham Library, Dorset and are covered by Loan Agreement documents. Additionally there is an artefact of the Lawrence family which is temporarily held by a Society member, until a suitable institution is found.

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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:

Type of governing document

Para 1.25 **Constitution**

(trust deed, royal charter)

How is the charity constituted?

Para 1.25 **Unincorporated**

(e.g unincorporated association, 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 **Trustees are all committee members who are elected annually at an AGM, having first been proposed and seconded by Society members. The committee are entitled to enlist up to 4 co-opted members to assist in specific areas, but they are not entitled to vote at committee meetings.**

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

The Society has an elected committee with the officers being the Chairman, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. In addition up to 9 other committee members can be elected, filling roles such as Membership Secretary, Newsletter and Journal Editors.

Relationship with any
related parties

Para 1.51

Other

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name T. E. Lawrence Society

Other name the charity uses

Registered charity number 297940

Charity's principal address P.O. Box 728
Oxford,
OX2 9ZJ



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	Kevin Winter	Chair		
2	Philip Neale	Vice Chair		
3	Carol Darbyshire	Treasurer		
4	Ian Heritage	Secretary		
5	Susan Purver			
6	David Sleep			
7	Susan Vincent			
8	John Johnson-Allen			
9	Pieter Shipster			
10	Joseph Berton			
11	Richard Gardiner			
12	Nynke Hartveldt			
13	Harriet Coates			
14	George Thompson			
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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
Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)		

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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)	K J Winter	
Full name(s)	Kevin James Winter	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairman	
Date	17/11/25	

The T E Lawrence Society

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 25th June 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Incoming Resources					
Incoming resources from generated funds					
Voluntary Income	1	£20,430.14		£20,430.14	£16,242.12
Activities for generating funds	2	£176.50		£176.50	£1,645.55
Investment Income	3	£698.37	£122.16	£820.53	£800.32
Incoming resources from charitable activities	4	£11,507.23		£11,507.23	£570.00
Other incoming resources	5	£3,215.91		£3,215.91	£1,741.99
Total incoming resources		<u>£36,028.15</u>	<u>£122.16</u>	<u>£36,150.31</u>	<u>£20,999.98</u>
Resources Expended					
Costs of generating funds					
Fundraising/cost of sales/other costs	6	£4,783.08	£50.00	£4,833.08	£3,922.15
Charitable activities	7	£19,295.23		£19,295.23	£18,976.33
Governance costs	8	£50.00		£50.00	£51.54
Revaluation of stock	9	£0.00		£0.00	£0.00
Total resources expended		<u>£24,128.31</u>	<u>£50.00</u>	<u>£24,178.31</u>	<u>£22,950.02</u>
Net movements in funds		£11,899.84	£72.16	£11,972.00	-£1,950.04
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		£52,682.37	£6,616.35	£59,298.72	£61,248.76
Total funds carried forward		<u>£64,582.21</u>	<u>£6,688.51</u>	<u>£71,270.72</u>	<u>£59,298.72</u>

The T E Lawrence Society Balance Sheet as at 25th June 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2025 £	2024 £	2024 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		£6,600.00		£6,600.00
Current assets					
Stock and work in progress	11	£400.00		£400.00	
Cash at bank and in hand		£64,270.72		£52,298.72	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year					
Net current assets			£64,670.72		£52,698.72
Net assets			<u>£71,270.72</u>		<u>£59,298.72</u>
The funds of the charity					
Restricted funds			£5,688.51		£6,616.35
Unrestricted funds			£65,582.21		£52,682.37
Total charity funds			<u>£71,270.72</u>		<u>£59,298.72</u>

Notes

1. Includes membership fees, donations and Gift Aid
2. Includes event fees other than the Symposium
3. Interest from bank accounts
4. Symposium fees received in year and carried forward
5. Includes income from sales, sundries
6. Paypal & bank fees, postage, stationery, expenses, sundries, refunds
7. Includes publication costs and event fees, including symposium costs
8. Audit and/or accountant honorarium
9. Stock value (ties, badges, DVDs, past journals).
10. Artefacts on loan to Magdalen College, Oxford and Wareham Library
11. Estimated value for stock of past journals, DVDs, badges and ties


Mrs C Darbyshire, Treasurer

Approved by the board on 4/10/25

I have carried out an independent examination of the Receipts and Payments account for the year to 25th June 2025 and confirm that they are in accordance with the records of the Society and explanations supplied to me.


Mr M. Ellison, Honorary Accountant



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

THE TE LAWRENCE SOCIETY

On accounts for the year
ended

25th MAY 2025

Charity no
(if any)

297940

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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:

M Ellison

Date:

01/07/2025

Name:

M ELLISON

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

Address:

JACOB HOUSE ACCOUNTANCY SERVICES
139 FARNHAM ROAD
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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.

Report to the trustees
members of

On accounts for the year
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I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have
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the examination which gives me cause to believe that in any material
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- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records
- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of
the Act or

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with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a
proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Signed: W. E. [Signature]
Name: W. E. [Signature]
Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):
Address: [Address]