



## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

**From 26 April 2019** (period start date) **To 30 June 2020** (period end date)

**Charity name:** **Buxton & District Lions Club**

**Charity registration number:** **1183132** [Registered as a CIO on 26 April 2019]

### Objectives and Activities

<p>Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The advancement of citizenship</li> <li>• Promoting the Voluntary Sector and volunteering</li> <li>• The relief of poverty and the relief of those in need</li> <li>• The advancement of health or the saving of lives</li> <li>• Promoting the protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment</li> </ul>
<p>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.</p>	<p>Over the course of the year, and despite the curtailment of activity as a result of the national Lockdown in March, club members have:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. engaged in fund-raising activities, by organising events and by encouraging donations</li> <li>2. made grants to local individuals and organisations in need</li> <li>3. organised our own events and supported similar initiatives of others to enhance the quality of life and community spirit of local residents</li> <li>4. engaged in initiatives to support public health and safety</li> <li>5. encouraged the personal development and community involvement of local young people</li> <li>6. encouraged volunteering in the wider public</li> </ol> <p><b><i>Full details of our Achievements against each of these activities appear under the Summary of Achievements below.</i></b></p> <p>Members also had to focus on the internal affairs of the Club. Having been registered as a CIO in April 2019, several additional formalities, prompted mainly by our membership of a national and international network of Lions clubs, were properly completed.</p> <p>The onset of the national Lockdown in late March cost us only our April meeting and we successfully resumed virtual monthly meetings by Zoom conferencing from May onwards. These sessions focused on the recent fall in member numbers and the need to draw up an Action Plan to regenerate the club – work ongoing into the next year</p>
<p>Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit</p>	<p>The raison d'être of Buxton Lions is to provide a public benefit. Our motto is: We Serve. In our Mission Statement we declare that:</p> <p><i>We are a group of local like-minded people with a social conscience. Our purpose is to help other people, especially in the local community but also those facing global challenges. We do this both through fund-raising and through practical action. We support other groups and organisations with similar aims.</i></p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policy on grant making	Grants are made in accordance with the club's Grant Making Policy. Members may identify and encourage applications from potential beneficiaries but will consider applications from any quarter. A formal Application Form is required and the full club membership considers and votes on applications and the amount of grant awarded.
Contribution made by volunteers	The club is totally dependent on volunteers. All club members, including the trustees, are volunteers. However, with an ageing and reducing membership, the club struggles to run events without additional assistance. This comes from a pool of "Friends of Buxton Lions", including several former members. Individuals and organisations that have benefited from a club grant, and other local young people.

### Achievements and Performance

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.	<p>Our achievements with respect to each of our Main Activities detailed above are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The club raised £15296 over the past year, mainly through direct fund-raising activities but also from donations. Fund raising activities included: an annual Duck Race in July, a Town and Community Bonfire and Fireworks Display in November (both events also benefiting the community as whole) and a Swing Band Night in November. We undertook a bucket collection in a local supermarket at Christmas and, in collaboration with the Nottingham Building Society, our "Reverse Santa" scheme elicited generous public donations of Christmas presents for less fortunate children</li><li>2. A total of £10940 was donated in support of local individuals and organisations. Beneficiaries included: the family of an autistic child requiring support with hospital travel costs; two undergraduate students involved in international development projects; and CLIC Sargent (in support of children with cancer). As a strategy to support other organisations providing vital assistance to the vulnerable, and even more so at a time of pandemic, we also gave grants to High Peak Crossroads (a charity supporting families suffering domestic abuse); Zink Foodbank and Employability Project; the Samaritans; and Connex Community Support (supporting vulnerable children and adults across the High Peak). We also made a short term loan to Connex to enable an urgent upgrade of their IT system.</li><li>3. For the benefit of the community we organised an annual Duck Race in July and a Town and Community Bonfire and Fireworks in November. We also assisted at community events organised by others, including the Town Carnival in July, the local Rotary Club Bazaar and the town's Christmas Lights Switch-On in November</li><li>4. We have promoted and publicised the availability of defibrillators in the community - through liaison with High Peak First Responders in furtherance of previous funding to enable them to upgrade their kit, and with other groups such as Fairfield WI in their own projects to instal additional defibrillators. We also actively operate a Message in a Bottle Scheme so that vulnerable people living alone have their critical medical information available in an emergency.</li></ol>
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	<p>5. We fund local School Awards for mentoring and we assist at local school mock interviews. We involve local students as helpers in our events; and we advise older students on their own fundraising efforts; sadly, an Auction of Promises planned by local university students fell victim to the Lockdown.</p> <p>6. We promote volunteering by enlisting the support of the Friends of Buxton Lions and other local people to assist at our events; this includes a significant involvement on the part of young people from local youth organisations, schools and the university.</p>
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## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	A year end cash balance of £7211.00 is down from the previous year as a result of generous grants and donations but is still healthy.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	None required. The charity attracts no running costs; member donations account for membership outgoings; and grants and donations are always covered by prior fundraising.
Amount of reserves held	£0
Reasons for holding zero reserves	See above.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Nil
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	The Lockdown and our reducing membership have put pressure on our ability to fundraise and so serve our purpose, but we are developing alternative, if less productive, fundraising techniques.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Major fund-raising events - an annual Duck Race, a Community Bonfire & Fireworks and Christmas collections – account for most income, supplemented by other donations from members and others.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	A dwindling and aging membership. A number of urgent recruitment strategies are being planned and implemented.

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:	None
Type of governing document	Constitution
How is the charity constituted?	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions	Principal office holders are required to be trustees. Immediate past office holders may continue as trustees. Other club members are also able to volunteer as trustees.

### Additional information (optional)

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The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	The club is managed and steered by regular meetings of its full membership, led by the key post holders and accountable to the trustees. Members also aim to meet socially once a month. The club liaises closely with neighbouring Lions clubs and maintains good relations with other local charities and action groups.
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Relationship with any related parties	The club is a member of, and subject to the regulations and conventions of, the Lions International, National and District CN105 networks, which also provide support and guidance.
Member resignations	During the past year the club lost the services of four valued members: Paul Lewis, Paul Wyatt, Dan Blunt and David Brookes, the latter having served the club for 28 years. Their significant contribution to the club's past achievements is a matter of record.

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Buxton & District Lions Club
Other name the charity uses	Buxton Lions
Registered charity number	1183132
Charity's principal address	c/o 27 Marlborough Road Buxton Derbyshire SK17 6RD

## Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity



	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Graeme Kitchen	Chair & Trustee	
2	Henry Kukiewicz	Trustee	
3	William Allen	Treasurer & Trustee	
4	Malcolm Bradbury	Secretary & Trustee	
5	Paul Lewis	Trustee	Resigned 20 Jan 2020

<b>Corporate trustees:</b>	None
<b>Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity:</b>	None
<b>Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others:</b>	Nil
<b>Exemptions from disclosure:</b>	n/a

## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Signature		
Full name	David Brindley	Nicholas Townsend
Position	Chair	Treasurer
Date	11 March 2021	11 March 2021



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name  
**Buxton & District Lions Club**

No (if any)  
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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 26-Apr-19	To	Period end date 30-Jun-20
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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 £
Fund Raising Activities	10,087	-	-	10,087	
Bucket Collections	1,593	-	-	1,593	
Donations	1,563	-	-	1,563	
Subscription Donations	1,748	-	-	1,748	
Refunds of Dues & Charges	244	-	-	244	
Charter Evening	520	-	-	520	
Members fines	61	-	-	61	
	-	-	-	-	
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>15,816</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>15,816</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>15,816</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>15,816</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Grants and donations	10,940	-	-	10,940	
Fundraising costs	9,653	-	-	9,653	
Community Loan	6,460	-	-	6,460	
Subscription dues	1,122	-	-	1,122	
Charter Evening	484	-	-	484	
AGM costs	44	-	-	44	
Bank Charges	10	-	-	10	
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>28,713</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28,713</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>28,713</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28,713</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 12,897</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 12,897</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>20,108</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>20,108</b>	
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>7,211</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,211</b>	

## 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>		7,211	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>7,211</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Restricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Endowment funds to nearest £</b>
	Interest free loan to Connex Community Support repayable by June 2024 in monthly instalments	6,460	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due (optional)</b>	<b>When due (optional)</b>
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		David Brindley	10-Sep-20	
		Nicholas Townsend	10-Sep-20	