



Allendale Lions Club

Charitable Incorporated Organisation Reg No 1173463

**Trustees' Annual Report and financial statements
for the year from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020**

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1. Introduction

The Trustees of Allendale Lions Club present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2020. The trustees confirm that the Annual Report and financial statements of the charity comply with the current statutory requirements and the requirements of the Charity's governing document.

2. Reference and Administration Information

Charity name: Allendale Lions Club

Registered charity number: 1173463

Charity's principal address: Woodhead farm, Allendale, Hexham NE47 9AL

Charity Trustees, including offices held:

Margaret Stonehouse	President
Stephanie Atkinson	Secretary
Rosemary Granger	Treasurer
Nigel Baynes	
Douglas Ness	
David Humes	Health and Safety Officer
Julie Humes	
Peter Aldcroft	Publicity Officer
Olive Norris	

Independent Examiner: C M Welch FCA

3. History, objectives and activities of the Charity

The Club is a member of the International Association of Lions Clubs. The club was originally established in 2004 and was established as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on 16 June 2017.

The club's objectives are exclusively charitable including: to advance citizenship, to promote the voluntary sector for public benefit, to empower volunteers to serve their communities, the relief of poverty and to meet humanitarian needs, the advancement of health, to promote for the benefit of the public the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment and to promote community participation in healthy recreation.

Allendale Lions Club raises funds each year to enable them to provide grants to deserving causes within the Allendale area and overseas via the Lions Clubs International Foundation, and also to support and put on events to benefit and serve the local community. The grants are made in accordance with the Club's Grant Making Policy.

Throughout the year the Trustees have paid regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in dealing with the objectives and activities of the club.

The club relies on the surpluses made on fundraising events and, on occasions donations from the public, to provide the funds with which to carry out its objectives. All administrative expenses of the Club are met from donations paid by its members. There has been no change to these policies during the year.

The work of the CIO is carried out entirely by volunteers.

From time to time as appropriate, the Club works closely with other local and national agencies, with other Lions Clubs and with Lions Clubs International to achieve its objectives.

4. Management and governance arrangements

The Club is governed by its CIO document dated 16 June 2017, and by the Constitutions and By-laws of Lions Clubs International, as revised from time to time.

The Trustees are appointed as appropriate by the members of the Club, and have overall responsibility to ensure the Club operates in accordance with Charity law and the Club's CIO document. The day to day running of the Club is overseen by the Club's officers, elected each year by the members. All business of the Club is ratified by members in general meetings, which are held at least once per month.

The Club is ably supported by the volunteer services of its members and others.

5. Fundraising and Community Service activities for the year ending 30 June 2020

This year has been a successful year for the club in terms of the community events provided, the charitable funds generated and the grants made to local groups and projects, national and international causes. However, the activities of the club were curtailed after March 2020 when the national lockdown was put in place in response to the Corona Covid 19 Pandemic. Fortunately the biggest fund raising events for the year July 2019 to June 2020 had already taken place by March 2020. The biggest impact on the club was that requests for grants slowed down significantly after March since local groups and national organisations were much less active. By way of illustration, in the year 2018 – 19 the club responded to requests for grants totalling £3,352 but in 2019 – 20 the grants totalled £1,044.

The club organises the bonfire and fireworks in Allendale on 5 November each year. In November 2019 they invested £1,595 for the fireworks and approximately £360 on associated costs, including the provision of refreshments. A collection on the night and sales from refreshments contribute towards these costs, as well as some sponsorship and support from local businesses. On this occasion a surplus of £93 was generated to contribute to our charitable funds.

Each Christmas the club funds an event called 'Carols in the Square' which is a well-attended community event and features a brass band from outside the area. The Club also provides a Santa's sleigh which visits local communities and events in the period leading up to Christmas, such as late night shopping in Haltwhistle and the Club's Carols in the Square event. This year the Club also provided and set up a Christmas tree in the village.

Club members volunteer to support community events provided by other organisations for example to oversee the parking for the annual Allendale Show organised by the Allendale Agricultural Society.

The club runs a number of fundraising events during the year, the main fund raising event being an annual auction held in October. This year the auction added £3,834 to the club's funds. Some of the community events run by the club make a small surplus which adds to the funds available.

The annual golf tournament is another fundraiser but sadly it had to be cancelled in July 2019 due to extreme weather conditions.

A welcome and innovative addition to the club's fundraising activities in this year was the Allendale Diary. Larry Winger, a founder Lions member, began creating and editing a daily blog on 1 January 2019 which ran until 31 December 2019. This eclectic collection of entries describe the daily goings on of the local community and provides a unique record of life in the Allen Valleys over a single year. Larry put an immense amount of work into the diary and was supported by the generosity of dozens of contributors and interviewees, who also provided a wide

range of comments and photographs. Larry donated the proceeds from the sale of the book to Allendale Lions and in the year 2019 – 20 this amounted to £500.

For the first time this year, the club benefited from claiming Gift Aid from HMRC on members' donations to the club and collections made at community events. This boosted the club's funds by £579 which for this year covered the two previous years since the club became a registered charity in 2017, in addition to the current year.

In the main donations are for the benefit of people in the Allen Valley area, although this does not preclude donations to Lions Club Multiple District sponsored appeals and Internationally through the Lions Clubs International Foundation (relief of poverty, responding to disaster relief or helping people with disabilities) thereby extending the public benefit overseas.

The beneficiaries in the year ending 30 June 2020 have been:

Date	Organisation	Purpose	Award
November 2019	Lions Club International North	To contribute to the recovery and repair work in response to severe flooding in the Swaledale area in Yorkshire	£200
November 2019	Pennine Wildlife Rescue	To support a local wildlife organisation that looks after injured and sick wildlife	£200
November 2018	Allendale Horticultural and Agricultural Society	To pay for the engraving of trophies	£54
December 2019	Allendale Cricket Club	To contribute to the purchase of junior cricket equipment	£250
December 2019	Carrshield Village Hall & Arts and Craft Centre	To cover the cost of a specific phase of work in the restoration of Carrshield Village Hall	£240
December 2019	Lions Club International 105N	To contribute to brain tumour research	£100

6. Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Allendale Lions Club - Charity No 1173463
On Accounts for the period ended 30 June 2020

Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

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

It is my responsibility

- **to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;**
- **to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and;**
- **to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.**

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by 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 seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- **the accounting records were not kept in accordance with s.130 of the Charities Act; or**
- **the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or**
- **the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.**

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

7. Financial review and statement of financial activities for the year ended 30 June 2020

It is the policy of the Club to maintain unrestricted funds only to the extent that they are expected to be required within the foreseeable future to meet the objectives of the Club. The adequacy of the reserves policy is reviewed periodically.

The Trustees have considered the major risks to which the Club is exposed to satisfy themselves that systems are in place to mitigate those risks.

8. Receipts and Payments Accounts for Allendale Lions Club

The receipts and payment account information presented below is taken from the Charity Commission pro forma for receipts and payments accounts and it provides the recommended format for the preparation of such accounts and therefore meets the requirements of the Charity Commission. The pro forma is designed to meet the minimum recommended levels of accountability.

Receipts and payments accounts are statements that summarise the movement of cash into and out of the charity during the financial year. In this context 'cash' includes cash equivalents for example bank and building society current and other cash accounts into which money is banked or used to make payments. It is generally accepted that receipts and payments accounts should not report all individual receipts and payments – these are recorded in the Club's cash book from which this summary information is drawn.

These financial statements are prepared in GBP Sterling, rounded to the nearest pound which is the functional currency of the Lions Club. Allendale Lions Club meets the definition of a public entity under FRS102. The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Lions Club's ability to continue as a going concern.

Receipts including fundraising and donations are recognised when there is entitlement and certainty of receipt, and the amount can be assured with sufficient reliability.

Fundraising income and members' contributions are recognised when they fall due.

Payments are recognised when a liability is incurred:

- Costs of fundraising events, hire of rooms, electricity supply and website and publicity are those incurred in running fundraising events and attracting donations
- Donations made represent the donations and grants made in furthering the objectives of the club
- Dues to Lions International and District 105 NE include those payments associated with constitutional requirements

Section A Receipts and Payments

Section A1 – Receipts				
Receipts	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds
Fundraising events	7944	0.00	0.00	7944
Members' donations	1407	0.00	0.00	1407
Lions District NE refund of reserves	460	0.00	0.00	460
Sundry income	480	0.00	0.00	480
HMRC Gift Aif	579	0.00	0.00	579
Sub total (gross income for AR)	10,870	0.00	0.00	10,870
Section A2 Asset and Investment sales				
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub Total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total receipts	10,870	0.00	0.00	10,870
Section A3 Payments				
Cost of fundraising events	2,984	0.00	0.00	2,984
Hire of rooms	400			400
Sundry Payments	560			560
Website/ publicity	451			451
Donations made	1,044			1,044
Dues to Lions International and District NE105	1,437			1,437
Sub Total	6,876			6,876
Section A4 Asset and investment purchases	0			0
Total payments	6,876			6,876
Net of receipts	3,994			3,994
Section A5 Transfers between funds	0			0
Section 6 Cash funds last year end	5,164			5,164
Cash funds this year end	9,158			9,158

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash Funds				
Charity current account	6,298			
Admin and Gen accounts	2,362			
Tynedale Community bank	498			
Total cash funds	9,158			
B2 other monetary assets	0			0
B3 Investment assets	0			0
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	0			0

B5 Liabilities	0			0

The charity current account comprises funds raised and donations received which have not been restricted by the donors or designated by the Trustees for a particular use. The Trustees are entitled to allocate such funds as they see fit towards the object of the Club.

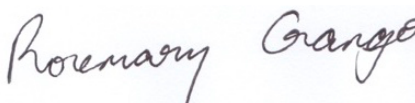
The Admin and General accounts funds are raised by contributions from the members and is for use in the administration of the Club in accordance with the Club's constitution. No funds raised from the public may be used for Club administration.

9. 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)

Rosemary Caroline Granger

Treasurer

Date **25 March** **2021**