

Allendale Lions Club

Charitable Incorporated Organisation Reg No 1173463

Trustees' Annual Report and financial statements for the year from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021

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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 2021. 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: Ravensworth, Catton, Hexham NE47 9QR

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, including 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 Bylaws 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 2021

Due to impact of the Corona COVID 19 pandemic the club was unable to hold any of its usual major fundraising and community service events. Therefore the total charity income for the year was $\pounds 621.75$ compared to $\pounds 7,994.25$ in the year 2019 - 20.

In 2019 -20 a welcome and innovative addition to the club's fundraising activities 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. Sales of the diary continued in 2020 - 21 raising £400 to add to the £500 raised in 2019 -20. These were the only significant funds raised by the club in the year 2020 - 21.

There were however, significant requests for support as local and international organisations struggled to deliver their usual benefits when their income was so severely negatively impacted by the pandemic. In the year 2020 - 21 the club donated £2,780 compared to £1,044 in the previous year. Significant donations of £500 or more in the year included donations to Tynedale Hospice at Home and the West Northumberland Food bank and the WORK project in Kenya.

This level of donations was only possible because we had had a successful fundraising year in 2019 - 20.

The beneficiaries in the year ending 30 June 2021 have be	en:
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Date	Organisation	Purpose	Award
July 2020	Pennine Wildlife Rescue	To support a local wildlife organisation that looks after injured and sick wildlife	£200
July 2020	West Northumberland Food Bank	To contribute to the relief of increased financial hardship as a result of the pandemic	£500
July 2020	WORK Kenya project	To contribute to the purchase of an oxygen concentrator for use in maternity services	£300
October 2020	Tynedale Hospice at Home	To support this vital community resource at a time when their	£500

		fundraising activity was severely reduced due to the pandemic	
Nov 2020	Allendale preschool	To contribute to the purchase of outdoor play equipment	£280
December 2020	Fawside bird feeding project	To support a project focused on the relief of isolation in our local rural community, badly affected by lockdown restrictions	£250
April 2021	Tynedale Hospice at Home	 To support this vital community resource at a time when their fundraising activity was severely reduced due to the pandemic 	
April 2021	WORK Kenya project	To support a project to produce and distribute reusable sanitary protection	£250

6. <u>Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Allendale Lions Club - Charity No 1173463</u> On Accounts for the period ended 30 June 2021

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, 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	484	0.00	0.00	484
Members' donations	1,224	0.00	0.00	1,224
Lions District N refund	100	0.00	0.00	100
Donation received	138	0.00	0.00	138
Sub total (gross income for AR)	1,946	0.00	0.00	1,946
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	1,946	0.00	0.00	1,946
Section A3 Payments				
Cost of fundraising events	350	0.00	0.00	350
Website/ publicity	16			16
Donations made	2,780			2,780
Dues to Lions International and District NE105	1,539			1,539
Sub Total	4,685			4,685
Section A4 Asset and investment purchases	0			0
Total payments	4,685			4,685
Net of receipts	-2739			-2,739
Section A5 Transfers between funds	0			0
Section 6 Cash funds last year end	9,158			9,158
Cash funds this year end	6,418			6,418

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

B1 Cash Funds		
Charity current account	3,774	
Admin and Gen accounts	2,146	
Tynedale Community	498	
bank		
Total cash funds	6,418	
B2 other monetary assets	0	0
B3 Investment assets	0	0
B4 Assets retained for the	0	0
charity's own use		
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 account 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)

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Full name(s)

Rosemary Granger

Date 7 February 2022