



The LONDON and SLOUGH RUN

Helping the homeless and people in need

Founded by Phyllis Wallbank MBE, Trustee Emeritus

TRUSTEES REPORT 2021

The London and Slough Run (LASR) had a very busy year in 2021. The Charity partnered with British Land in July 2021 and were granted the use of Duke's House in central Slough as a large central location to move operations to. The lease is over three years and is rent free. We are very grateful to St Joseph's Gerrard's Cross for the use of their social club and Church hall during 2020/21. The property at Dukes house has enabled LASR to expand it's food share activity. Surplus food is collected daily from a number of local supermarkets and then packaged ready for immediate distribution to over a dozen local Charities. Development of the food share program started at the outset of the pandemic and has been very successful. LASR Trustee Malcolm Johnstone was awarded the High Sheriff of Berkshire's volunteer award 2021.

LASR did not operate a Night shelter in 2021 because of the difficulty with Covid restrictions and because numbers of rough sleepers were much lower than normal. This was due in large part to the success of the government's "Everyone in" scheme in 2020 which had helped to house a number of rough sleepers in Slough. Those who were in need were offered Hotel and B&B accommodation.

LASR continue to operate a weekly soup run to London Waterloo and Temple feeding up to 250 people a night. This is undertaken by a long standing and dedicated volunteer team of sandwich makers, packers and 'Runners' based at St Joseph's Gerrard's Cross and all precautions are employed to ensure a Covid secure service is in place.

LASR had leased two properties in Slough which accommodated 6 rough sleepers. LASR took care of all household bills and supply of food to those accommodated and helped with finding employment and private accommodation. The leases came to an end in November 2021 with the final two occupants being housed elsewhere with the help of SBC's outreach team.

The Trustees agreed to finance a new website for LASR as the existing hosting platform is now outdated and proving difficult to use. Our social media presence is growing and all felt it would be prudent to invest in a new website to promote the charity, share news, events, volunteer opportunities, donation links and more.

LASR partnered with Rotary Club of Windsor St George to organise a fundraising Christmas Carol Service at the chapel in Eton College, in December. This special event was to be hosted by Gloria Hunniford with Sue Holderness and The Carice Singers – unfortunately due to the exponential spread of the Omicron variant of Covid in the week to 18th Dec, the organising team felt they had no option but to cancel the event. Thankfully most of the sponsors and advertisers and some ticket holders donated their monies and as a result, LASR received £3,000. Plans are underway to secure a date in Dec 2022 to hopefully run the event again.

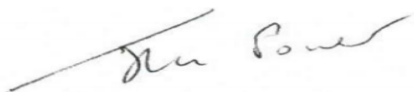
2021 saw the resignations of three Trustees, Brian Kearney, Neil McCathie and longstanding Trustee Philip Highy, who has worked tirelessly for the charity and provided an essential connection to Eton College, who have been a historical supporter of LASR. *After 10 years as Chairman, I have decided to step down due to work commitments. I will remain as a volunteer for LASR.* John Goudie, a long standing volunteer and Trustee has agreed to step in and manage this role for the next six months.

Many thanks to Deanway United Church, Readypower Group, Hamptons Windsor, Leagold Miller, British Airways, Waitrose Gerrards Cross, Slough Baptist Church, Chalfonts Beekeepers, GX Furniture Mart, Suzy B Pilates, Burnham Lane Fish and Chips, Sainsburys Neighbourly Fund, Caldicott and Maltman's schools together with The Catholic Women's League and the many more who donated during the year.

The foodshare and soup runs involve many local volunteers from Christ the Worker C of E Langley, St Augustine's RC Datchet, St Josephs Catholic Church, Gerrards Cross, Slough Baptist Church, Holy Family RC Langley, St Mary's C of E Datchet, St George's C of E Britwell, St Andrews Methodist Church, Our Lady of Peace RC Burnham, the Masjid Al-Jannah and Slough Central Mosques. The Trustees continue to be very grateful to all of them for their selfless and tireless work in support of the most vulnerable and marginalised people in society.

Signed on behalf of the London and Slough Run by order of the Trustees

John Power



Chairman

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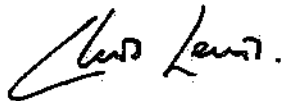
Independent Examiner's Report – The London & Slough Run

I have examined the financial statements for the year to 31st March 2021, which were prepared by the Hon. Treasurer.

These show income of £35,916, Expenditure of £35,395, and Net Assets of £102,976.

I have examined those books and records, which I considered necessary to carry out the review and where appropriate have received explanations of transactions.

In my opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the organisation's affairs as at 31st March 2021 and its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.



Chris Lewis

11th January 2021

The London and Slough Run

Reg Charity No. 1000331

Income and Expenditure Account year ended 31st March 2021

£

	2021	2020
Income		
Donations General	35,878	45,736
Bank/Building Society Interest	38	127
Homeless Link Grant	-	25,000
Thames Valley Police Grant	-	3,000
	35,916	73,864
Expenditure		
Food and Supplies	2,833	7,569
Vehicle Running Costs		
Insurance	1,012	1,727
Repairs/MOT/Road Tax/Fuel	12,127	2,429
Depreciation	5,520	5,520
Night Shelter Expenses	4,420	47,457
Slough Houses Expenses	4,808	-
Just Giving Subscription fees	418	216
General Insurance	1,193	964
Sundry Expenses	564	1,820
Outbound Donations	2,500	1,144
Charity Cycle Ride	-	1,527
Sleepout	-	1,622
Total Expenditure	35,395	71,995
Excess of income over expenditure	521	1,869
Excess of expenditure over income	N/A	N/A
Balance brought forward	102,454	100,585
Balance carried forward to next year	102,976	102,454
Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2020		
Motor Vehicles at cost	34,800	34,800
Less: Depreciation	20,080	14,560
	14,720	20,240
Bank Accounts		
Bank Deposit Accounts	80,844	80,806
Bank Current Accounts	10,186	5,975
Cash in Hand	0	0
Less: Creditors	2,775	4,568
	102,976	102,454

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