Tonbridge Lions Club Charity Trust Fund

Registered Charity Number 1064379

Trustees Annual Report – Year Ended 30 June 2026

Legal and Administration Details

Lions Club Name:	Tonbridge
Formation Date:	March 1950
Charity Name:	Tonbridge Lions Club Charity Trust Fund
Registered Charity No:	1064379
Principle Address:	The Charity has no registered permanent address. The Club President acts as the focal point for correspondence: 4 Cheviot Close, Tonbridge, TN9 1NH
Trustees:	Mr P Jesson Mr P Godsall Mr M Stout Mr K Bourne Mr W Sleck Mr G Rapley
Bankers:	HSBC High Street Tonbridge TN9 1AN
Independent Examiner	Mr J. Butler 55 Denbeigh Drive Tonbridge TN10 3PP

Aims and Organisation

Lions Club International

Tonbridge Lions Club is a local club and forms as part of Lions Clubs International voluntary service organisation that helps supports and guides local clubs to serve their local communities. Clubs are chartered as separate entities with their own constitution but have links to other clubs in their Zone, to their District in the Southeast of England, the Multiple District of the UK and Ireland and to Lions Clubs International.

Tonbridge Lions Club

Tonbridge Lions Club is a voluntary organisation which exists to help the local community and support, as it sees fit, Lions Club national and international projects.

The Administration of the Club is wholly financed by its members. All time to organise activities to raise funds and provide community service is given freely by the members and friends of the club, for no payment or reward.

Tonbridge Club was the first Lions Club to be formed in the UK. Chartered in 1950 and is one of the largest Clubs in the Country.

Main Activities Undertaken

Over the year Tonbridge Lions Club held the following fund-raising events.

Christmas Barrel Organ Collection, Car Tour, Community Fete, Dragon Boat Race, Half Marathon, Mini Fetes, Triathlon and Collection of Waste Paper.

In addition, the club was able to provide the following service activities:

Christmas Distribution, Diabetes Screening, Prostate Screening, It's a Knockout, Lions Day, Message in a Bottle (MIAB), School Choir, Senior Citizens Party and Musical Memories.

The Trustees consider that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the Commission's Public Benefit Guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

Main Achievements of the year:

Tonbridge Lions Club raised £27,800 in general fundraising (£30,224 in 2024-25).

This includes £3,507 in general donations to the club.

Charitable grants/donations made by the Trust in support of the charitable objectives this year have totalled £23,841 (£15,527 in 2024-25).

Donations to Local Charities totalled £17,312 and to Local Youth totalled £6,529.

Charity's Policy on Reserves

The Charity has a reserve policy and always ensures that sufficient funds are maintained to meet the Charitable commitments made by the club.

Review of Financial Activities and Affairs

The Receipts and Payments accounts of the Tonbridge Lions Club Charity Trust Fund for the year ended 30th June 2026 are attached to this report. These have been independently examined and approved.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Treasurer Peter Godsall

President Phillip Jesson