CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 Jan 2025 **Period start date** **To** **31 Dec 2025**
Period end date

Charity name: Littleborough Arts Festival

Charity registration number: 1156946

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To advance the appreciation, education and involvement in the arts in Littleborough for the public benefit, in particular but not exclusively, by the provision of an arts festival, workshops and public concert.
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.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Due to a large amount of change in the trustees' personal circumstances and availability during the year and being a small volunteer – led charity, there were no Art – based events carried out by the Littleborough Arts Festival. We spent time restructuring and looking at how to recruit more volunteers and trustees.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	

Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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.	Para 1.20	As already mentioned above in objectives and activities we experienced some changes to the appointed trustees, with several trustees stepping down. There were other challenges around trustees availability during the year which impacted on the capabilities to organise any art-based activities during the year. We spent time restructuring and looking at how to recruit more volunteers and trustees To build our capacity as a volunteer-led organisation.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	No reserves are held
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Zero
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Our small charity has very little in the way of assets or future liabilities.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	Our charity will continue as a going concern and continues to undergo activities to rebuild capacity of the board and volunteers.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Success of grant fundraising and Trustees adjusting to their roles and building confidence in their individual abilities.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	All trustees are elected to post with 33% required to retire each year.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Littleborough Arts Festival
Other name the charity uses	LAF
Registered charity number	1156946
Charity's principal address	1 Charnley Fold Wardle Rochdale OL12 9DX

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Stephanie West	Chair and Secretary		
2	Rose Bibby	Vice Chair		
3	Caroline Pheasey	Treasurer		
4	Victoria Hughes			
5	Richard Jackson			
6	Nicol Kennedy			
7	Christopher Rainham			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	S. R. West	
Full name(s)	Stephanie West	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	09/10/2026	

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Charity Name	No (if any)
Littleborough Arts Festival	1156946

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	1-Jan-25		31-Dec-25

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Grants	-	-	-	-	13,757
Other Income (ticket and drink sales)	-	-	-	-	25
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	-	-	-	-	13,782
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-	13,782
A3 Payments					
Insurance, Web Hosting, Bank Charges and accountancy	112	-	-	112	517
Governance costs and non project based materials	25	-	-	25	25
Festival Events 2022	-	-	-	-	3,166
Festival Events 2023	-	-	-	-	2,174
Festival Events 2024	-	-	-	-	2,793
Lantern Parade 2023	-	-	-	-	1,944
Lantern Parade 2024	-	-	-	-	3,241
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	137	-	-	137	13,860
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	137	-	-	137	13,860
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 137	-	-	- 137	- 78
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	17,595	-	-	17,595	-
Cash funds this year end	17,458	-	-	17,458	- 78

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

B1 Cash funds

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Cash in the Bank	17,459	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	17,459	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
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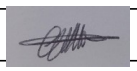
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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		-	-
		-	-
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B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Caroline Pheasey	10/7/2026
#VALUE!	Stephanie West	**10/9/2026**