Lions Club of Exeter (CIO)
Annual Report for the period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026

Summary of Purposes

1. Promoting the principles of good citizenship;
2. Encouraging members to take an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community;
3. Encouraging service-minded people to serve their community without personal reward;
4. Promoting the Voluntary Sector for the public benefit;
5. The relief of poverty and the relief of those in need in particular by providing humanitarian aid and disaster relief;
6. The advancement of health or the saving of lives by preventing avoidable blindness, assisting disabled people to lead independent lives or helping to prevent or manage health issues.

Review of Activities and Achievements

Below is a list of the main activities undertaken by Lions Club of Exeter in 2025 to 2026.
Reference is made against activities that are reflected in the accompanying accounts.
The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Car Park Marshalling
Exeter Lions Club members act as Car Park Marshalls at charity events, in particular on a regular basis for the Exeter Foundation, a charity set up by Exeter Chiefs Rugby Football Club to raise funds on match days which is then divided between local charities.

Newspaper Recycling
Members collect newspapers from a number of sources and transport it to a Local Authority recycling centre where it is weighed and credit given according to the weight. The funds raised from this activity is then given to local good causes.

Message in a Bottle
Exeter Lions Club have been providing the Message in a Bottle Service in the Exeter area for many years. The purpose of the **Lions Message in a Bottle** scheme is a simple idea designed to encourage people to keep their personal and medical details on a standard form and in a common location, the fridge - to place a small plastic bottle in fridges of the infirm and elderly and particularly those living on their own so that emergency services can easily find the bottle which contains contact details plus information about their health issues and medication.

Welfare Support
Exeter Lions Club has supported a number of local charities, such as Exeter RD&E Hospital Neo-Natal Unit, In October we are providing a needy family with a week away at Hendra Holiday Park in Cornwall.

Other Fund Raising
Exeter Lions hold bucket collections at local supermarkets at Christmas and other times of the year. Each Easter we raffle Easter Baskets at local pubs. All proceeds go to local charities apart from an annual donation to Lions Clubs International to support their world-wide disaster relief programme, which this year was £500.

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Receipts and Payments Account
1st July 2025 to 30 June 2026
All funds are Unrestricted and to nearest £

Receipts		**£**
Easter Baskets		853
Exeter Foundation (Rugby parking)		5691
Exeter City Coucil (Newspaper recycling)		108
Christmas Collections, including Gift Aid		647
Other fundraising		305
Admin items:		
Membership Subs	6	97
Gift Aid on Subs	4	45
Charter Night income	4	92
Other fundraising	4	20
Total receipts	**2**	**10,16**
Asset and investment sales		
Payments		
Donations:		
Missing People (G4 Concert Collection)	7	62
FORCE	0	2,00
Crediton Lions (rugby)	5	2,84
LCIF Diaster Appeal	0	50
Other LCIF Donations	0	10
Newquay Lions - Hendra Holiday x2	0	1,00
Exeter Community Transport	0	20
Expenses and Purchases:		
Data Protection fee		47
Message in a Bottle supplies		140
Easter basket costs		281
Other fundraising expenses		181
Admin payments:		
Lions Clubs Int'l membership dues & insurance	8	1,08
Charter Night expenses	7	89
Other	0	11
Total payments	**6**	**10,01**

Asset and investment acquisitions		nil
Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 30 Jun 2025		
Cash Funds (all Unrestricted):		
		6,00
Held at Lloyds Bank at 30 Jun 2026	1	
		6,00
	1	
Assets retained for the charity's own use		
		30
Club regalia,chains of office etc.	0	
		50
Gazebo (purchased 2015)	0	
		50
Other fund raising equipment	0	
		30
Chinese Dragon costume	0	
		3
Collecting tins	0	
		1,63
	0	
Liabilities		0