Ringwood Carnival CIO - 1207443

Charity Commission Annual Return

Period: 1st January 2025 - 31st December 2025

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SECTION 1/ Trustee Annual Report 2025

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	01	2025		31	12	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Ringwood Carnival CIO

Other names charity is known by Ringwood Carnival

Registered charity number (if any) 1207443

Charity's principal address

6 Ashburn Garth
Ringwood
Hants
Postcode **BH24 3DS**

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	Howard Cox	President		Ringwood Carnival CIO
2	Chris Card	Vice-President		Ringwood Carnival CIO
3	Ben Salsbury	Chairman		Ringwood Carnival CIO
6	Linda Card	Secretary		Ringwood Carnival CIO
7	Miranda Cracknell-Burt	Treasurer		Ringwood Carnival CIO
8	Jayne Cox	Trustee		Ringwood Carnival CIO

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Date acted if not for whole year
N/A	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
N/A		

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

N/A

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected by committee

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

N/A

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	To organise Ringwood Carnival in accordance with Constitution, ensuring to comply with statutory requirements, ensuring the safety of all participants and spectators. Raise adequate funds to host the event via sponsorship, fund-raising activities, donations and street collection. Any surplus funds, over and above holding of the event, to be donated back into the local community at the discretion of the trustees.
Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)	The Carnival event provides the intangible benefit of a free event for members of the public and community which forms an important part of the towns event calendar. In order to facilitate this, the principal roles and responsibilities of the Trustees are as follows:- - to ensure the event is financially sustainable in activities that are undertaken; - to ensure sufficient reserve funds are available for the event in terms of cash at bank for unforeseen liabilities and safeguarding of the event; - for defining and ensuring the fulfilment of all functions necessary to hold the event to include adhering to all statutory regulations including relevant applications and consents and liaison with the relevant local authorities and emergency services; - to ensure sufficient volunteers are sourced to form a committee and undertake the organising and arrangements of the event. In addition to ensure sufficient volunteers are sourced to assist the running of the event itself on the day; - to distribute any funds considered surplus, to local charities and good causes in accordance with the constitution and supporting guidance forming part thereto.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about: • policy on grantmaking; • policy programme related investment; • contribution made by volunteers.	It is in principal, considered inappropriate for the Carnival charity to apply for grants and aid from Local Authorities due to the healthy income which is raised via various the income streams (as described in Section E). Subject to the trustees, agreement and discretion; any donation follow and adhere to the Donation Practice Statement.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The following items are considered prudent in the achievements of the charity for the 2025 period:

- a successful event enjoyed by a significant number of participants and spectators across the day.
- continued sustainability of the CIO to enable longevity of the event itself;
- High levels fund raised through sponsorship, fund raising activities, street collection, VIP area, Village Green stalls, fund raising and other misc. income streams/initiatives;
- record entrants (in modern era) in procession entries in the afternoon parade;
- strong financial donations made to local charities and good causes.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trustees review the residual amount of cash at bank after all liabilities have been fulfilled. This review then establishes how much should be retained to cover unforeseen liabilities, any early expenditure needed for next year's event and any capital investment or other extra ordinary expenditure planned. Only then will surplus funds be made available for donation to approved worthy causes.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

The Ringwood Carnival CIO is not currently in a deficit position.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The principal source of funding for the event is via sponsorship from local businesses and organisations. Other income streams are generated from a Funfair levy, a street collection, related fundraising events, selling of carnival cups, bar and the sale of pitches to traders.

Expenditure covers the fixed statutory costs, safety and welfare facilities, entertainment and performer charges as well as advertising of the event. Expenditure is generally in line with approved pre-event budget which ensures the event is safely run and to a professional standard as possible.

Surplus funds are donated to local charities and good causes at the discretion of the Trustees.

Section F Other optional information

None

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Full name(s)	Ben Salsbury (Electronic)	Linda Card (Electronic)
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairman	Secretary
Date	09/10/2026	

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SECTION 2/ Independent Examiners Report

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Ringwood Carnival CIO

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Ringwood Carnival Society (the Trust) for the year ended 31st December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or

2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be.

Signed: *Z. Rhymes*

Date: 31/03/26

Name: Zoe Rhymes

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SECTION 3/ Account Overview to Year Ending 31/12/2025

RINGWOOD CARNIVAL CIO

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2025

2024		2025
	INCOME	
16,650	Sponsorship	18,350
40	Royalty	20
1,514	Village Green	1,370
886	Membership & VIP Area	1,236
6,000	Funfair	6,000
6,451	Carnival Bar	4,380
5,356	Coin Collection	4,737
1,337	Miscellaneous Fundraising	441
884	Food & Street Vendors	765
4,655	Gift Aid & Grants	2,586
1,030	Toilet Hire reimbursement	1,150

2,277	Carnival Cups	2,400
173	Carnival Week Events	90
904	Other Income	750
1,084	Quiz Night	1,814
1,347	Donations	1,612
0	Unplugged Donations	360
0	Programmes & App	24
50,588	Turnover	**48,085**
	Add	
373	Interest Received	508
373	add Other Income	**508**
50,961	**TOTAL INCOME**	**48,593**
	EXPENDITURE	
1,656	Advertising & Signage	751
0	Bank/Finance Charges	125
2,761	Carnival Bar costs	2,377
2,067	Carnival Cups costs	1,803
0	Carnival Week Events costs	835
5,762	Charitable Donations	7,400

86	Clothing	423
0	Coin Collection costs	87
7,190	Entertainment costs	4,715
2,500	Fireworks	2,500
1,550	Float Prizes	1,700
0	General Donations	10
128	Hall Hire	46
5,966	Infrastructure	10,061
837	Insurance	867
0	Legal and Professional Fees	400
550	Live on the Lawn costs	397
206	Membership & VIP Area costs	767
84	Miscellaneous Fundraising costs	32
0	Miscellaneous Printing	197
0	Motor Expenses	22
2,115	PA System	2,379
7,430	Procession costs	5,761
0	Programmes & App costs	522
0	Quiz Night costs	761
500	Royalty costs	528
0	Sponsorship costs	741

25	Subscriptions	80
2,773	Sundries	124
2,118	Toilet Hire costs	2,118
0	Town Decorations	378
0	Unplugged costs	500
0	Village Green costs	1,072
143	Website	161
46,447	**TOTAL EXPENDITURE**	**50,640**
4,514	**TOTAL PROFIT**	(2,047)

M. Cracknell-Burt

Treasurer

Zoe Rhymes

Independent Examiner