



## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

**From 1 January 2025** Period start date **To 31 December 2025** Period end date

**Charity name: The Halton Lune Trust**

**Charity registration number: 1160975**

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To distribute profits from the Halton Lune Hydro Company for the benefit of the parish as set out in the Trust Deed (as amended)
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	The funds are distributed through an application and evaluation process in accordance with the objects of the charity and agreed memorandum of understanding with the Halton Lune Hydro Company
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees are aware of the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and will have regard to that guidance as appropriate.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Grants are determined having regard to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Improving and enhancing recreational opportunities and sporting activities</li><li>- Supporting energy associated measures delivering energy efficiency and carbon reducing technologies</li><li>- Promotion of conservation and enhancement of the natural environment for the benefit of the community</li><li>- Promotion of conservation, protection and improvement, land, buildings, other structures and artefacts of particular historic,</li></ul>

		architectural, archaeological or cultural significance
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	<p>During this reporting period the Trust has considered 16 applications for grant and made awards on 16 of those for payment, one of which was not proceeded, so paid out on 15 of the applications totalling £57,625.</p> <p>These grants have supported enhancement of environmental spaces, enabled improvement of village facilities and supported community initiatives in and adjacent to the parish of Halton-with-Aughton.</p> <p><i>St. Wilfrid's Church – to support works to make good deterioration of the Mausoleum</i></p> <p><i>Lancaster Co-housing - to support training workshop for Scythes cutting</i></p> <p><i>Halton Village Neighbourhood Watch - to support litterpicks and cards fighting loneliness campaign</i></p> <p><i>Lunesdale Lawn Tennis Club - towards project to upgrade existing floodlights to LEDS</i></p> <p><i>Aughton Recreation Room, grant to support additional storage facilities</i></p> <p><i>1st Halton Scout Club - grant to support project for installation of solar panels and battery on club house</i></p>

		<p><i>Halton-with-Aughton Parish Council - grant to support project for refurbishment of Play Area within Parish</i></p> <p><i>Lapwing Housing Co-operative - grant to support a project for installation of a solar system on property in Halton</i></p> <p><i>The Centre@Halton - application towards start up and running of Pickleball at the Centre</i></p> <p><i>Halton Juniors Football Club - grant towards project for works to football facilities</i></p> <p><i>Mainspring Arts - grant support project for continuation of Halton Creative Wellbeing Group</i></p> <p><i>Caton with Littledale Parish Council - grant supported project for renovation of Play Park (check whether paid out)</i></p> <p><i>Heritage Field Community Meadow - grant to support ongoing maintenance works</i></p> <p><i>North West Bird Conservation - grant to support bird conservation projects within the Parish area.</i></p> <p><i>Halton with Aughton Parish Council - grant to support renovation of family graves of significant Parish benefactors at entrance to St. Wilfrid's Church</i></p>
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**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		
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## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Balance as at 31.12.25 is £94,959.87 During the reporting period it received income totalling £2,548.72 and expended £57,625.00 on grants and £159.67 on other costs.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	A deposit account has been set up in which a minimum reserve amount of £25K is maintained to support the Trust's sustainability over a longer term. This is reviewed annually. As at 31.12.25 this account holds £83,070.76.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>See above</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>See above</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

### 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	The principal source of funding is from the Halton Lune Hydro Company (Company No. IP032233) which is a registered society for the benefit of the community. The surplus income from Halton Lune Hydro Company go to the Halton Lune Trust to distribute these profits for public benefit at their discretion within and around the Parish of Halton-with-Aughton in line with the Trust Objectives and under Charity Commission rules. The Trust also receives occasional donations which are included in the account balances.
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	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document ( <a href="#">trust deed</a> , <a href="#">royal charter</a> )	Para 1.25	Trust Deed dated 16 March 2015 as amended 22 October 2023
How is the charity constituted? (e.g <a href="#">unincorporated association</a> , <a href="#">CIO</a> )	Para 1.25	Unincorporated association
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	Trustees shall normally reside within the Parish of Halton-with-Aughton, elected by show of hands unless secret ballot requested. There is a maximum of 5 Trustees and the bodies formally represented are the Halton- with-Aughton Parish Council and the Halton Lune Hydro Company whose nominees will be appointed to the Trust. Trustees are on a 3 year term and may be re-elected.

### 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	The Trust operates within a Memorandum of Understanding with the Halton Lune Hydro Limited dated 10 February 2013 (as amended on 22 October 2023). The Company is invited to meetings of the Trust, and the Trust provides feedback to the Company's annual meetings.
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Halton Lune Trust
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1160975
Charity's principal address	3 Meadowfield, Halton Lancaster, LA2 6PT

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	Carol Slinger	Treasurer		Halton-with-Aughton Parish Council
2	Debbie Storr	Secretary		
3	Jonathan Sewell	Chair		
4	Nicholas Mannion			Halton Lune Hydro Ltd
5	Susanna Dart			

**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		
<b>N/A</b>		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	
<b>N/A</b>		

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	<i>The Trust receives the profits from the Halton Lune Hydro Company for distribution through grant application</i>
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)

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### Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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### Other optional information

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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

	
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Full name(s)

Debbie Storr	
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Position (eg  
Secretary, Chair,  
etc)

Secretary

Secretary	
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Date

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